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Look Out! is a compilation of worldly news stories with some relevant local comment. Written by Chris Vance.

Having fun with the national debt

Americans have always been known for their jubilant sense of confident humour - and this tax season the fat of American culture has definitely risen to the top.

The U.S. Internal Revenue Service has set aside a special fund for donations to help offset the multi-trillion dollar debt, according to the 1993 tax form.

Canadians have also recently had the national debt thrust at them, with last week's Liberal budget coming down in Ottawa. Interestingly enough, the Liberals are only mentioning the $17,000 per-person debt in Canada and not the $250,000 per-person credit. That's right: if all of Canada's worth was distributed evenly, each Canadian would be worth $233,000 - after paying off the deficit. (If Canada's forests and minerals were excluded the credit would be worth only $80,000 per-person).

Meanwhile, the day after the budget, Feb. 23, marked the first day since the 1930s that single people on welfare in B.C. had to pick up their government cheques in person.

Many welfare-recipients were not amused with the ridicule. "I'm just hoping there are no gas chambers in there," said one person in the line-up.

The next day, the Victoria Street Community Association (VSCA) hosted a "day-after" open house.

"People had a really good analysis of what's going on out there and where to direct their anger," said VSCA project-coordinator Bruce Wallace.

"There's a lot of resentment about them being blamed for the deficit, and the politicians are not being held accountable.

"The strongest thing that came through was the media coverage of the people on welfare. There's this feeling that you pick up your cheque, you get messed around by your landlord, and you can't even turn on the television for the fear of being insulted.

"That's what some groups call poornography - that's P-O-O-R."

The VSCA also supports the civil servants who have to implement policies they may not support.

"We want to make sure we support the workers. This initiative didn't even come from Social Services, it came directly from Harcourt's office," said Wallace.

VSCA, CFUV Radio, U.S. IRS

South African leader assassinated

Letsatsi Mosala, a founder and leader of the Azanian People's Organization (AZAPO) was assassinated outside his house Feb. 13.

Mosala was best known for his organizing the Black Allied and Construction Workers' Union in Soweto.

AZAPO was founded in the 1970s, in part by black activist Steve Biko, who was murdered while in police custody in 1977.

When Steve Biko was still alive he told the New Republic, "You are either alive and proud, or you are dead. And when you are dead, you cannot care anyway. And your method of death can itself be a politicizing thing. So you die in the riots. For a hell of a lot of them, in fact, there is really nothing to lose - almost literally, given the kind of situation that they come from."

Mosala's death has raised the curiosity of South African Sam Ditshego, who now lives in Victoria.

"It is very strange that this guy was killed outside his house, and that they dragged him outside of his house so that this would look like a robbery," said Ditshego.

"We know that Thabombeki, Chairman of the ANC [African National Congress], was robbed of his car and he was never killed. So the question is why are AZAPO and PAC [Pan African Congress] activists always victims, why are they always killed? And then this is portrayed as if this is robbery or an accident.

"The struggle goes on. You know some people think this is the end, but this is just the beginning."

Sam Ditshego, The Organizer

"Women's Revolutionary Law" in Chiapas

The Zapatistas prove that hard times are no excuse for sexism. The Zapatista National Liberation Army (EZLN) has set out 10 declarations for women's rights.

The declarations are: all women have the right to full participation; women have the right to salaries; women have the right to determine how many children they have; women have the right to hold office; women and their children have the right to education, health, and nutrition; women have the right to choose their partners or can be single; women have the right to be free of violence, and rapists will be severely punished; women have the right to join the military; women have the right to all the rights of the revolution.

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Human rights abuses continue in Mexico

The Mexican army is now fighting more guerrillas than it anticipated, because several regions in Chiapas have spontaneously risen against the Mexican government.

The newest uprisings are independent but in solidarity with the Zapatista army, who rose up in revolt on Jan. 1.

The Mexican army has gotten by with a little help from their friends in Washington - helicopters used to machine-gun villages are on loan from the U.S. Drug Enforcement Agency.

On top of shooting and bombing, the Mexican army is busy blockading Red Cross access to wounded residents in Chiapas.

Most people in Chiapas are indigenous of Mayan descent, and work for $1.70-per-day in the local farms and ranches, which are owned by a few rich families.

A coalition of ranchers recently protested against the uprising workers in Chiapas, chanting "Down with human rights!" The ranchers are also lobbying for a 50 per cent wage reduction.

Millions of Mexicans and their descendants have sought refuge in the U.S., often where similar exploitation awaits them. But since U.S. corporations are finding the move to Mexico easy, the U.S. government is now busy finishing the "Tortilla Curtain, dividing the U.S. and Mexico.

One U.S. business in Mexico makes its employees sign the "Company Policy," which states: "For some of us our Mother Company is very much like a Leader or a Big Brother watching over us; many fail to appreciate just how big and diverse it is."

Anti-Colonialist activist John Shafer said the Zapatistas of modern-day Mexico have a lot more to do with our country than is usually acknowledged.

"We should all be Zapatistas. The same machine intends to eat us all," said Shafer. "Viva Zapatistas! Viva Lil'wat! Viva Qwa-Ba-Diwa! Viva indigenous and popular resistance!"

John Shafer, Radio FMLNi, New Liberation News Service, New Internationalist

Pepsi-Cola fires workers for unionizing

In Guatemala, organizing unions has always been a life-risking experience. Pepsi-Cola Corporation had promised to change this, but on Feb.1 a union organizer was fired for his activities.

Groups in solidarity with Guatemalans say public pressure has worked on Pepsi before, and urges people to call in their complaints to Pepsi toll-free at 1-800-268-7588.

When *the Martlet* called the number, we were reminded that us in the west are three hours behind the centre of the world, so call between 6 a.m. and 2 p.m.

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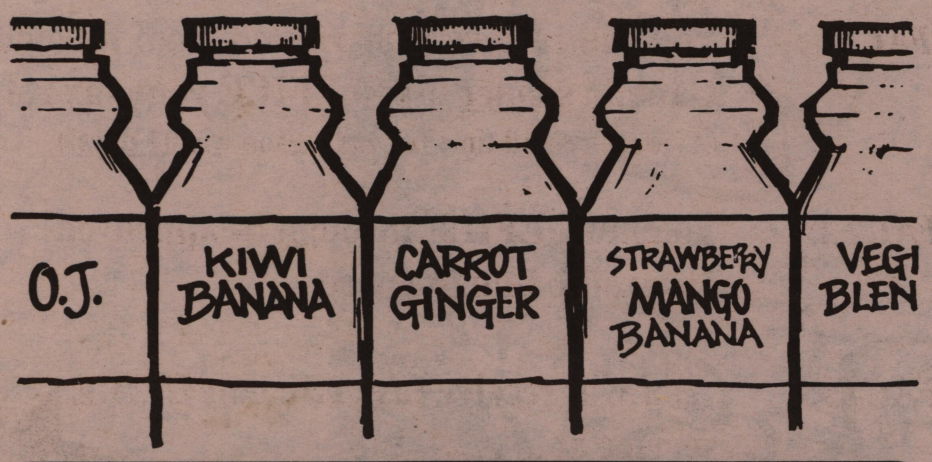

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Like most scholarship programs, the one administered by Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation (CMHC) looks for top students. More specifically, CMHC scholarships are given only to full-time Canadian students working on a university Master's degree related to housing.

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Leslie Coates, who in 1993 completed her Master's degree in Landscape Architecture at the University of Guelph, was one of 25 winners in the 1992 competition. She says, "Winning a CMHC scholarship allowed me to expand the scope of what I could do. It gives you a tremendous sense of confidence." The extra time to make contacts in the housing industry afforded by the CMHC scholarship has paid off for Leslie. Her thesis received positive comments in a *Globe and Mail* column and spawned a lengthier recent article in a widely read journal published by the Canadian Urban Institute.

Ms. Coates was "very impressed" with the aims of the CMHC Scholarship Program. "It's Canada's primary source of financial support for the training of professionals in housing and community planning. It's definitely needed."

If you or someone you know would like to apply for a CMHC scholarship, forms can be picked up now at either the Graduate Studies or Student Awards office. But hurry. Students must submit completed applications to the university they wish to attend by March 25, 1994.

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Canada

Farmer fights, wins right to grow

By Stephen DeMeulenaere

Farmer Brett Black planned his campaign well in advance, to ensure large numbers would be present in City Hall to help save his farm for another growing season.

On Tuesday, Feb. 22, at the City of Victoria's Advisory Planning Commission (APC) meeting, Black battled to save his land.

Black is one of a few urban farmers left in Canada.

Rezoning threatened to change the property from single-family to multi-family dwelling, and pave it into yet another pastel-stucco chip-board development eyesore.

Wearing a bright yellow shirt, Black beamed messages of thanks to his supporters, who crowded the Commission room.

The representative of Meadowlark Developments corporation had not arrived by the time the APC started the meeting.

Suspecting an anti-climactic end to a very short meeting, one supporter commented, "Hey, we won!", as Black scanned the room for his opponent.

The hearing moved on to the next application, but as supporters began to fear a long, boring meeting, Eric Barker the architect entered, muttering, "Better late than never."

Placing his complex plans on the easel, Barker began to argue the proposal would "be of benefit to the community."

He said the 25% reduction in space developed would be "an evolution of redevelopment in the area."

Barker said the development fit the urban context of a downtown site. "The more people we can get in within reasonable levels, the better."

Thirty-two "starter apartments" would replace the three heritage homes and organic farm currently on the property.

More than 20 supporters took turns rushing to the mike to express their opposition to the application. A representative from the Fernwood and James Bay Community Associations presented sound opposition to the application.

"We're knocking down neighbourhoods for quick money," she said.

Black stood and calmly stated the developer has "A fascinating view of the neighbourhood" he has not even visited. Black then questioned the profit-first paving over of the earth, and the destroying of homes to build houses.

An old man who displayed a familiarity with some of the members of the Commission accused some of being in the "hands of the developers."

One of the other tenants of the property promised his landlord not to "fling himself in front of the juggernaut of development."

He presented the Rural Wedge Farm's support petition containing 1,000 signatures collected within the last month.

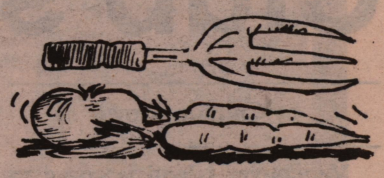
A woman commented, "It's crazy, at a time when other cities are buying land to build farms that a proposal is made to bulldoze a farm for development. It's already developed!"

In the end, it was only the two white, middle aged, upper-class Commissioners who supported the redevelopment.

Jim Hartshorne, a wealthy man accused of being in cahoots with the developers, said the farm was an eyesore and it was not kept up.

Another Commissioner disagreed saying "We cannot continue to pave paradise."

As soon as the 11-2 decision against the rezoning application came down, Black and his circle of friends stood, turned and left the room for home, garden and another season. ❑



Corruption cause for Haiti blockade

by Jim Hedger

On March 10, the H.M.C.S. Annapolis will leave Canadian Forces Base (CFB) in Esquimalt en route to participate in the United Nations blockade of Haiti.

The blockade affects nearly all supplies in and out of the nation and causes severe shortages for the people of Haiti.

"The situation in Haiti changes almost weekly."

The present trade embargo is enforced through denial of port rights to any ship that delivers goods to Haiti, "spot-searching" ships in Haitian waters, and a hemispheric ban on investment in Haiti.

Representatives of Foreign Affairs Canada were unavailable for comments on Canada's participation or the "rules of engagement" issued to Canadian ships in Haitian waters.

Haiti, one of the poorest nations on Earth, has suffered the weight of political instability and corruption for most of its history.

Since the downfall of dictator Jean-Claude (Baby Doc) Duvalier in February 1986, this tiny nation of 8 million has experienced five successful coups, two failed coups, and seven different governments.

The present government, led by the iron fist of General Raoul Cedres, commander of the Hatian military, has consistently refused to allow elected-president Jean-Bertrand Aristide to reassume the office taken from him on October 1, 1991.

Aristide has the stated support of most international bodies, including the United Nations and the Organization of American States.

Increasing evidence shows the administrations of George Bush and Bill Clinton played an active role in supporting the Cedres regime.

Jean-Bertand Aristide was a Catholic priest who practiced a doctrine known as "liberation theology" before his election in December 1990.

Aristide found wide support among the young and impoverished, which in Haiti means nearly everyone not employed by the government.

This enormous base of support led him to a win in the 1990 presidential elections with 60-70 per cent of the votes.

Originally wary of Aristide, the American government seemed to warm to his government after he negotiated a $422-million loan with the World Bank on Aug.4, 1991.

The same day, *the New York Times* published a lengthy editorial on the merits of Aristide's economic programs.

Deposed by Cedres in October 1991, Aristide retains the support of the vast majority of Haitians.

Within days of the coup, the Organization of American States (O.A.S.) met in Washington to draft a hemispheric trade-embargo against the new regime.

At the same time, the Bush administration started to issue statements regarding what White House spokesperson Marlin Fitzwater called, "flagrant human rights abuses."

"Returning President Aristide to Haiti is going to be difficult for reasons to which he himself has greatly contributed," wrote *the Washington Post* in an October 6 editorial.

The New York Times printed a story rationalizing the sudden about-face taken by the once supportive mainstream American media.

"American officials are beginning to quietly disclose a thick notebook detailing accounts of human rights abuses that took place during Father Aristide's rule..." which, "...jeopardized his moral authority and popularity.", *the Times* claimed in an article dated October 7.

The source cited by *the Times*, Jean-Jacques Honorat, compiled a thick notebook documenting the alleged abuses. Honorat's human rights outfit, CHADEL receives $40,000 a year of funding from the National Endowment for Democracy chaired by the ultra right-wing American senator Jessie Helms.

On Oct. 13, 1991, days after releasing the information about Aristide's abuses, Honorat was appointed prime minister of Haiti by the Cedres-controlled parliament.

Since the coup, the American government has hosted several conferences ostensibly designed to broker an agreement to bring Aristide back into power.

All but one of these "open and fair" conferences have ended without a settlement.

The one conference which Aristide did not compromise the voice of Haiti's impoverished ended in a walk out.

The situation in Haiti changes almost weekly. On Feb. 4, 1994, the defacto Haitian parliament passed a bill impeaching 13 pro-Aristide senators.

The bill replaced the democratically-elected senate president with staunch Aristide opponent Bernard San Cereic. The Haitian parliament is debating enacting Articles 148 and 149 of the Haitian constitution, which would legally remove Aristide's legitimacy to govern.

For more information, contact the International Centre for Human Rights and Democratic Developments in Montreal.❑

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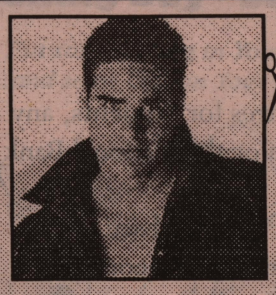

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Smokes highlight sovereignty

by Joel Freedman

According to mainstream media outlets, cigarette smuggling is the main issue in Canadian politics today. The coverage has focused on Quebec and Ontario - until recently.

On February 4, the story came home to Ken Dennis, a member of the Secwepemc Nation. Dennis was arrested by the RCMP at the Osoyoos pipeline, and charged with possession of illegal cigarettes.

"Yet another act of territorial aggression,"

Dennis' arrest, which occurred on land claimed by the Okanagan Nation, has raised questions about sovereignty and jurisdiction in the Okanagan valley.

"The borders Ken Dennis crossed are within the traditional territories of the Okanagan Nation.... if any traditional laws were broken, then it is the jurisdiction of the Okanagan and Secwepec Nations to deal with this matter," said Hayley Bowe of the Qwa-Ba-Diwa Information Office.

Peter Knighton, spokesperson for the Hereditary Chief of Qwa-Ba-Diwa, described the arrest as "Yet another act of territorial aggression," and linked Dennis' case to wider issues of self-determination for First Nations throughout the province.

Sergeant Robertson, spokesperson for the Osoyoos detachment of the RCMP, had not returned multiple phone calls by press time.

According to Kelly White, also of the Qwa-Ba-Diwa Information Office, Dennis was to begin trial in Penticton on March 1, and remained in custody at the Kamloops Regional Correctional Centre, unable to gather $7,500 in bail.

John Shafer, a native activist and colleague of Dennis, described Dennis as a supporter of the traditional system of government, and a Pipe Carrier and Sundancer with the Secwepemc for over 17 years.

"Non-native governments do not have jurisdiction in those areas" in the Okanagan Valley, said Shafer. "Those lands have never been ceded by treaty."

Dennis was also present during the Oka dispute between Mohawks and the Sûreté du Québec in 1991.

In Ottawa, the Bloc Québecois has pressed the Liberal government for action against Mohawk warriors allegedly involved in cigarette smuggling. Bloc pressure has also led to a lowering of federal tobacco taxes and Quebec provincial tax.

Ovide Mecredi, Chief of the Assembly of First Nations, has countered that the Bloc is motivated by nationalist interests intent on deflecting the right to self-government by First Nations.

Malcolm Turnbolt, assistant to national revenue minister David Anderson, said he was "unable to comment," as Dennis' case is before the courts.

Anderson, Liberal MP for Victoria, has Customs and Excise in his portfolio. David Hurford, special assistant to Anderson in Victoria, said he had no information on Dennis' arrest.

A survey of the Quebec press seems to indicate that antipathy towards First Nations is on the increase.

Le Soleil reported the Government of Quebec plans to impose heavy fines on members of First Nation communities found guilty of smuggling, while Jim Moses of the St. Catherine's *Standard* characterized those allegedly involved as "A tiny, unrepresentative group" of Mohawks."❑

Club studies CORE

by Calinda Brown

Vancouver Island is going to be the guinea pig for the Commission on Environment and Resources (CORE) plan for sustainable land use in our province.

And the Sierra Club wants to make sure the critter knows what is happening. A town hall meeting is scheduled for Thursday, March 3, at the Newcombe Theatre, 7:30 p.m.

"Currently the news is hearing a lot about North Island town hall meetings. A lot of misinformation is being disseminated by those meetings," said Paul Senez, spokesperson for the Sierra Club. "People need a clear idea of what the CORE proposal is about. Hopefully, the public can become more informed at this meeting," he said.

There is a lot to know. The CORE proposal has 90 recommendations for the provincial government to consider.

They range from extending protected areas, to increasing the stumpage fees paid by logging companies, to implementing an economic transition strategy to help rural communities adjust.

"Stephen Owen [CORE Commissioner] is sending a clear signal to government to move towards sustainability. One of the keystones to implementing any of the other recommendations is that the workers must be taken care of," said Senez.

Stan Coleman, chair of the forest managers and manufacturing sector at the Vancouver Island CORE table, thinks the report is unclear.

"It [the report] has forgotten about the rural communities on the Island. It has left a tremendous amount of uncertainty in people's minds," Coleman said. "People should be asking what will this do to our jobs? Does this mean me? Does it mean my family?"

Coleman doesn't believe forestry interests have been misinforming rural communities about the impact of the proposal.

"It isn't instilling fear, it's asking questions. We should be concerned with what will be happening," he said.

It is expected that the provincial government will decide on the report's recommendations sometime in April. That gives all sides ample time to lobby government.

The Sierra Club has invited people from all sides to come and speak at the meeting. It is free and everyone is welcome. For more information please call Paul Senez at 386-5255.❑

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Teens show strength

by Brett Grubisic

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Out has a simple message: being out of the closet makes you visible, and visibility gives you power.

The new National Filmboard of Canada documentary debut by David Adkin covers a lot of territory in its 78-minute run. Adkin hauled his camera and crew from Thunder Bay to Toronto and Winnipeg and gives impressive results.

The film gives its participants ample space to talk about their (mostly teenage) lives as Asian, Native, and white lesbians and gays.

"Although the film depicts the struggles involved in growing up gay in a society that stigmatizes homosexuality (to the point of institutionalized discrimination and violence), it was not my intention to wallow in images of pain and pity," said Adkin.

While there is lots of material that evokes pity and sadness, viewers will ultimately be touched by the small acts of everyday courage and heroism.

One Thunder Bay youth chooses to act and behave in a decidedly non-conformist way in the face of active adversity. He opened up a support line, and is now a figure of strength rather than pathos.

In addition to coming-out narratives, *Out* includes the voices of parents who - miraculously - all learn to deal with and accept their children's identities. Adkin gives them time to explain their initial reactions as well how they feel after they had time to think.

Their consensus suggests that re-education was the key to overcoming their internalized dislike of homosexuality.

Adkin has punctuated his potential dirge with provocative humour from Scott "Yes, I'm the fag" Thompson and an American troupe called Funny Gay Men. Their stories are humourous while also making strong non-apologetic criticisms of assumptions often made about homosexual identity.

There are a few minor points that Adkin may want to address in some future work. The 'talking heads' aspect of the documentary seems a bit directionless at times. Also, *Out* does not fully address the cultural nexus that maintains anti-homo institutions.

Then again such concerns are probably beyond his mandate.

Above all, *Out* is a very hope-filled work. Despite incessant attacks on their lives, the lesbians and gays persevere and excel.❑

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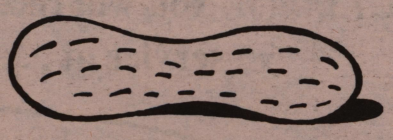

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Schools drop out of CFS

by Ryan Ward,
The Charlatan, Carleton University

OTTAWA (CUP) - In two referendums last month, students sent the Canadian Federation of Students a clear message - NO.

At Acadia University in Wolfville, N.S., students voted in a referendum Jan. 17 - Feb. 2 to reject a proposed CFS membership fee increase.

At Vancouver Community College's Langara campus in B.C., students rejected their membership in the CFS in a referendum held Feb. 8 - 10.

"The students have spoken," said Todd Barker, president of the Acadia student council. "There is this disillusionment in the school about CFS being an Ontario-dominated organization and the students did not want to pay any more."

The CFS member schools have been holding referendums during the past year to approve fee increases or to decide on membership. The referendum defeat at Langara brings the number of schools which have left the CFS in the last year to five.

Acadia is the second school since last February to reject a fee increase. The Acadia referendum asked students to approve a fee increase of $6 per student from $4 annually.

About 1,150 people, or 35 per cent of eligible student voters, came out to vote and, when all the ballots were counted, there were 752 No votes and 692 Yes votes.

Barker says students want more value for their money before fees go up. He says there wasn't a No or Yes campaign for the referendum, but promotion was done by the student union to get the word out about the referendum.

At Langara, the referendum campaign was bitterly fought with posters from both the pro-CFS and anti-CFS sides accusing the opposition of lying.

During the referendum, 1,158 students (19.5 per cent of the 5,950 registered voters) marched to the polls and voted. By the time the ballots were counted, the No side won with a tally of 583 to 561. Laraine Bone, a candidate for the chairperson of Langara Students' Union, says the voices telling students to vote against CFS membership were those of Langara students and that students trusted them over those of strangers from the CFS.

In the next two months, there are five more referendums on membership scheduled and seven member schools will consider fee increases.

The University of Victoria Students' Society is considering holding a referendum on CFS fee increases during the fall student elections.❑

Harassment causes an uproar

by Jordan H. Green,
The Excalibur, York University

TORONTO (CUP) - Provincial recommendations for Ontario universities to adopt zero-tolerance harassment and discrimination policies created an uproar across campuses.

Ontario's Minister of Colleges and Universities announced these policies last October 7. The policy covers all university employees, students, members of boards, standing committees, clubs, associations, and visitors. All Ontario universities are to amend their current policies on harassment and discrimination, and send them for review to the Ontario Council for University Affairs (OCUA) by March 1.

"This started awhile ago, when [Richard] Allen was the minister," said Pat Adams, executive director of external relations for the Council of Ontario Universities.

Canada's former ambassador to the United Nations, Stephen Lewis, submitted his report on race relations in June 1992, recommending it be adopted for colleges and universities.

Colleges are considered crown corporations, so the New Democratic government has already mandated these policies on them. Universities are autonomous and not under provincial government control, so these policies could only be recommended, not enforced. When these guidelines were first announced, many worried that the province was changing the rules. "The issue for me was autonomy, not academic freedom," said Carleton University President, Robin Farquhar.

Freedom of academic expression in relation to these proposals is a mixed concern across Ontario universities.

"The idea we should have an environment less-free than society at large is just unacceptable," said Michael Marrus, chair of the University of Toronto's academic board.

"The problem with these guidelines is the way they are put. Zero tolerance isn't in the Human Rights code, nor is a negative environment," said the President of the University of Toronto Faculty Association, Bill Graham.

One of the purposes of a university is to examine and challenge social beliefs. When this is done some may be offended, but it is necessary to a learning environment, according to Graham.

"I don't see the guidelines as violating academic freedom," said Bruce Tucker, president of the University of Windsor Faculty Association.

"What you are not free to do is discriminate, but you couldn't do that before," said Tucker.

The term 'zero tolerance' has received criticism for being unclear. The term was first used by by former U.S. President Ronald Reagan, during his "Just say no" anti-drug campaign. It has since been used for many other problems in society.

"Reagan had a tone that doesn't sit well with people," said Marion Perrin, executive director for the Ontario Council of University Faculty Associations (OCUFA).

"Universities know how to word things better than zero tolerance," said Perrin.

"The guidelines are based on the Human Rights Code," said Tucker. "What I interpret the minister is doing is having a policy under the code."

Some believe they can accomplish what the government wants without following the guidelines. "Sexual harassment and racial discrimination has no place at universities, we don't need the guidelines help to do that," said Graham.

Ontario's NDP guidelines take effect at community colleges March 1. Ontario universities are to submit their current policies for review by this time. Though Education Minister David Cooke says the deadline is not written in stone, OCUA has asked for an extension.❑

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EDITORIAL

Love of Blondes was the film one staff member had the pleasure of watching while visiting his parents during reading break.

The movie, a quirky subtitled Czech film made in 1966 about a couple of older military officers assigned to supervise a factory, came across as pointless, frivolous, and disturbingly sexist.

However, to his parents, the film represented much more. The dance halls, the make up, the slang, the hair, brought them back to a time and place where the future was still simple and carefree; regardless of the uncertainty of their future.

His parents wrote the film off as silly and meaningless, but if they really had no use for it, why would they put the effort into recording it on the video machine?

The same sort of phenomenon is *The Graduate*. Baby-boomers go teary-eyed reminiscing about the reckless abandon of their youth.

So with this in mind, is there anything distinct about the latest twenty-something movement? It is true that Generation Xers are characterized by a pessimism unmatched by previous generations. A group facing a desperately dismal future and a profound sense of hopelessness in a world overwhelmed by consumerism and materialism.

Executive high-ballers, who control what we are allowed to see and hear, have caught a whiff of the potential market. They have come out with a barrage of products designed for us - we have become the target market, from a mostly boppy *Singles* to the recent interpretation of the "lost generation" - *Reality Bites*.

Hollywood has captured the formula. Combine a bunch of young people with uncertain futures and some pot shots at materialism and capitalism, stir in cynicism and you've created a Generation X flick.

The latest wave of twenty-something films misses on the defining aspect of this latest generation. It is made out as a romantic care-free age, where youth lack a vision, but passions run rampant and love interests are the driving force.

What is missed by Hollywood is fear, one of the defining characteristics of this generation. Fear of uncertainty. The fear of not being able to fully realize your potential because opportunity is dried up by the streamlined global economic system, and stiff competition.

We have anger, but it is our own 1990s brand of misdirected hate, tempered by cynicism. It is more angst than rage, as we can't seem to find a target to focus our energy on - and it's not like there aren't any worthy issues - we just can't be bothered.

The recently departed grunge aesthetic was not merely a fashion whim - we began wearing plaid flannel BECAUSE WE COULD AFFORD IT. We're resurrecting old cars BECAUSE THEY'RE CHEAP.

For most of us, it's fashion born out of necessity. Sorry Hollywood, life is no Melrose Place.

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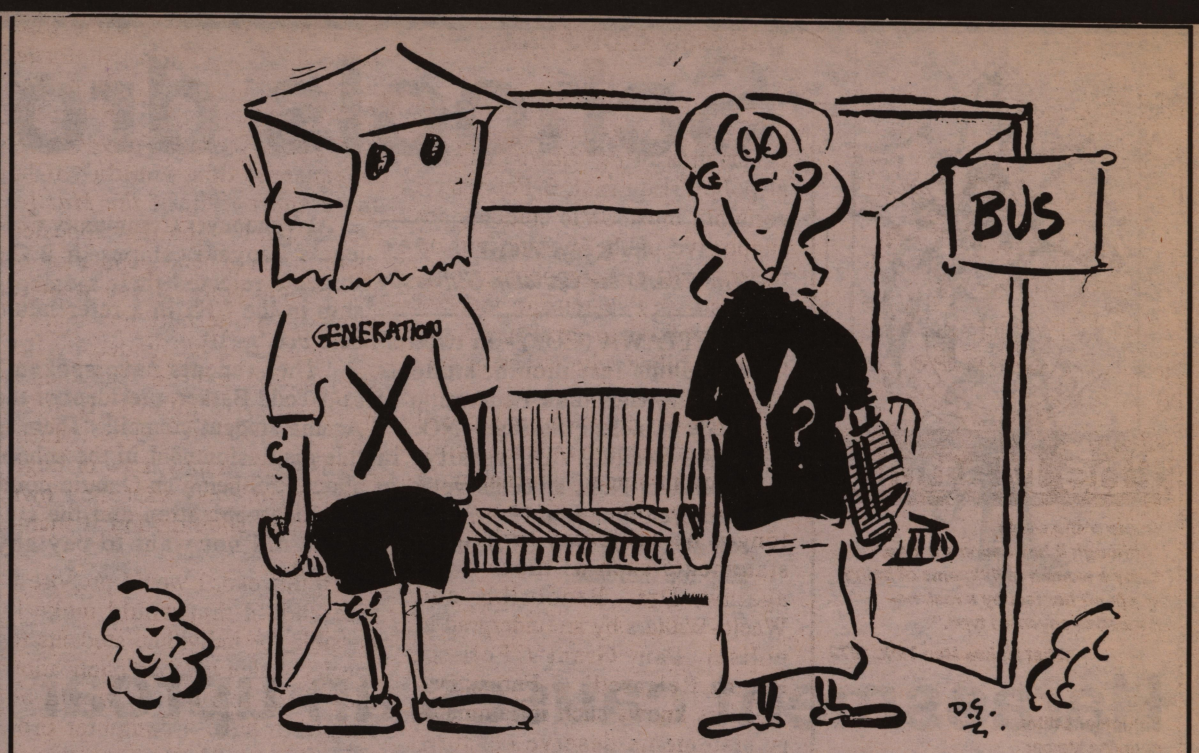

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Campus sexual assault

Editors:

Our office has received a report of a sexual assault occurring adjacent the campus on Clarndon Road just north of Sinclair Road. The sexual assault occurred at approximately 6:45 p.m. on Saturday, February 12, 1994. The victim was attacked on the sidewalk as she was walking south on Clarndon towards Sinclair Road. Her attacker stepped out of the bushes adjacent the sidewalk and grabbed her neck with one hand and her crotch area with the other. He then started kissing her on the mouth. The victim struggled and struck the attacker in the face. He released his hold on her and she fled. Saanich Police are investigating.

The suspect is described as:

Male 25-30 years of age, 6 feet tall, average build, dark skin, clean shaven. Extremely bad body odor. He was wearing a baseball cap, blue jeans and dark colored waist length jacket.

If you have any information concerning this suspect, please call Saanich police at 475-4321 or Traffic and Security at 721-7599.

Ken Marrison
Assistant Manager
Traffic and Security

SUB repairs asbestos

Editors:

Students may recently have seen air testing take place in the SUB upper lounge and Caf. This work was undertaken at the request of the University of Victoria Students' Society Occupational Health and Safety Committee.

Generally speaking, buildings built prior to 1978 may contain asbestos, which will have been used for its insulation or acoustical properties. This is true for the SUB, as well as other buildings on campus. In both the SUB upper lounge and Caf the ceiling areas were in need of repair. A visual inspection, as well as air testing and bulk samples were therefore taken to assist in determining the type of work to be carried out.

John MacRae and Associates, who specialize in environmental health, collected air samples on February 2, 1994. All fibre counts were well within the acceptable limits and below the Worker's Compensation Board's permissible concentration.

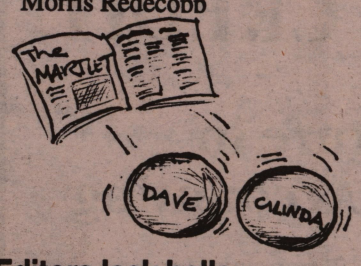
Initial repairs were undertaken the night of Monday, February 7 to the skylight area of the SUB upper lounge. Prior to starting the remedial work, the air handling system serving the area was shut down and the room was vacated and was secured. Air monitoring and analysis of samples taken during repairs were again within acceptable limits.

Further repairs will take place during reading break to the SUB upper lounge, the Caf and department offices. Again, these areas will be blocked off while work is in progress.

It is important that students understand that no risk is present when the ceiling areas are left undisturbed. The presence of tape on the ceiling of the SUB upper lounge suggests however that in the past decorations have been taped to the textured surface. Students are asked in future not to touch this area and if damage occurs to contact buildings and Grounds and to notify the SUB general office.

It is our understanding that this asbestos wil be removed during renovations to the existing building following SUB expansion.

Susan Corner
Morris Redecopp



Editors lack balls

Editors:

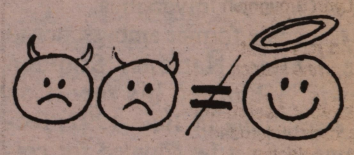
Dave and Calinda, do you feel masochistic and want to have some fun? It would take balls, but, run the "Castration Clinic" cartoon again; except this time change the words pill to condom and castration to hysterectomy. Undoubtedly you would find the mindless militant feminist reaction to be a rather cutting experience. Would you not be vilified and your immediate resignations demanded for printing sexist copy and promoting "violence against women?

Before I am regaled with the facts concerning males' sexual subjugation of females, and accused of having "missed the point" by some 1990s type of sensitive, myopically politically correct defender of socialist idealism and pneumatophore of the UVSS, consider this: equality of the sexes will never be achieved until in our dealings with each other the same standards obtain. Ask yourself on simple question - do two wrongs make a right?

Love that double standard. Keep it up Mr. Clements - that is, if you have enough testosterone left to do so.

William Bexfield

Editor's note:
We love your s too.



Stop aerial spraying

Editors:

Salt Spring Islanders stopped aerial pesticide spraying with twenty-three appeals! Appeal Victoria aerial pesticide spraying to: Environmental Appeal Board, 125 - 911 Yates Street, Victoria, B.C., V8V 4X3. Include: name, address, $25 to Minister of Finance, and reason for appeal no later than Feb.26, 1994.

Michael Abel

Cut to the point

Editors:

Apparently hundreds of people will go out of work under the new CORE proposal (February 10). Are we supposed to believe this is because too much land is being protected? The real reason, I feel, is that the clearcutting machinery is too efficient.

Forests have been cut so fast that they're running out of forest. Workers will either lose their jobs now or after the final 13% is cut.

However, if we do away with this machinery and go back to sustainable selection logging, more workers will be employed and we will keep our forests. Selection logging has been proven to be profitable - lets return to this and get our people back to work!

Mary McFadden

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The Martlet

Quote o' the week:
"Although it has become a joke, many a woman still dreams of being swept off her feet by a real, no-nonsense caveman type."
What Makes Men Tick, 1972

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Goddess knows hate

Editors:

Thanks very much for the explanation of *the Martlet* editorial policy (Editorial, 3 February): certainly most UVic students are supportive of the moratorium on racist, sexist or homophobic copy. It's also very reassuring that *the Martlet* refuses to print hate on a campus chilled with issues of systemic discrimination.

Given the prevailing good will and commitment to radical editorial policy in student journalism, I am certain that readers will no longer be subjected to hateful statements such as those made against Drs. Brodbribb and Waelti-Walters by an undergrad in polisci, Pam Grant (`Poli-sci Report Released', 3 February). Goddess knows such inflammatory statements deserve censure. Thankfully, we now have concrete examples of prohibited speech and the corresponding *Martlet* editorial policy in one issue for easy reference: very handy just in case further education on what constitutes hate literature is required...Nicely done!

Jennifer Spencer

More Whining

Editors:

When I was talking to you on Monday Jan. 31, I must have been whining too much to get my point across. So I'll try again.

In your editorial statement you claim that you will print nothing that is racist, sexist, or homophobic. I assume that this is because such copy would be offensive to people on campus. I pointed out that some of the copy that you print is offensive to people on campus. Don't these people have the same rights as gays, feminists, and other minorities? Isn't one of these the right not to be offended by the official campus newspaper? I do realize that some of your material is intended to shock people into thinking about different issues, but there is a line between shocking and offensive. Sometimes *the Martlet* crosses that line. I try to point this out to you and I get told in your editorial column to take a flying leap.

When I was sitting talking to you, it was pointed out to me that *the Martlet* is the students' newspaper and it is composed by the student body. At the same time someone else said that *the Martlet* is and alternate publication. *The Martlet* is funded by our tuition; everybody has to pay for it. Because of this wouldn't it be more appropriate if *the Martlet* were a publication that appealed more to the general population of the student body. If you want to publish an alternate newspaper, shouldn't this be funded by the people who want to read such a publication? Similarly, if other special interest groups (Math, English, Geography, Law or Engineering students) want their own paper they should fund it themselves.

To this end, I would propose a referendum that would make it possible for individual students to specify which campus publication they wish to fund. It would be simple to have a computer program that would allow students to choose a publication at the beginning of the term. If an individual isn't interested in choosing, then the program would default to *the Martlet*. This would be fairer to the students. If a student isn't paying for a publication, then that student doesn't have much room to complain about its contents. It would also allow each publication to gage its actual circulation.

Randy Bourne

Dr. Zonk bonks back

Editors:

The ramblings of Nevin Thompson (Feb 10th) to my letter on the pill, lead me to suspect that he must be a creative writing student, with possibly a smattering of philosophy thrown in! My letter had at least some logic in it and said "that many women can find a pill which gives them minimal side effects, freedom from fear of pregnancy, no fuss, and all this at *the least risk*. I said that this was not true for all women, and certainly any women who does not like the idea of tinkering with her hormones should choose some alternative (which does not rule out methods for males). Maybe a good chemical method will be found soon for males that is as safe *and as effective* as the pill is for females, (gossypol looks promising). However, the female will have to trust the male; at lest she knows whether or not she has taken her pills! Then of course to take a male contraceptive will require a male who does not have such a biased attitude as Mr Thompson against science. Aspirin works well in most people, but for some can be deadly. Cars move most of us around quite conveniently, yet for some are deadly. In deciding to use any technology, there is a risk, and my letter suggested that the risk of the pill should be looked at intelligently, perhaps with a little less emotion than that suggested by Mr Thompson. After all condoms are also a product of science. Are they bad too, like fluorescent light bulbs, Mr Thompson?

Reg Mitchell
Professor, Chemistry

Intense Anger at Driver

Editors:

On Tuesday, Feb.22 at 11:25 p.m., 29-year-old Bruce McKnight's life came to an abrupt end.

He was walking across the intersection at Pandora and Fernwood, when someone in a grey or blue sedan decided to go through the red light, at a speed of 100 km/hr.

The car hit Bruce full force, and he was hurled 27 metres into the air. The driver did not even stop, but fled towards Yates Street.

Bruce died a couple of days later in Jubilee Hospital, despite eight hours of surgery. He had suffered two broken legs, a broken pelvis, serious internal injuries and brain damage.

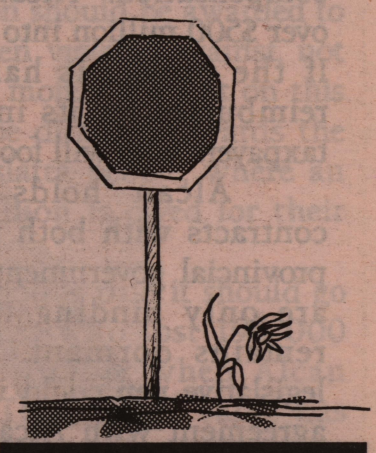
Those who knew Bruce personally, myself included, cannot even begin to describe our sense of loss. Despite a slight mental disability, Bruce did well for himself. He was an accomplished violin player and a skilled cook. Above all, he was generous and friendly.

How the driver could justify such callous, inhuman neglect is hard to imagine. Bruce was left to die. If the driver had at least stopped, he or she might have received the proverbial slap on the wrist. Now, the penalty could be FAR more severe.

Drivers who use their vehicles as weapons are no different from any other violent criminals. Actually, they're a lot more cowardly, because they need a huge machine to do their crimes.

I hope to God the driver finds the courage to come forward and show remorse, or at least responsibility. Then, and only then, will I be moved to forgiveness for this cruel, evil crime.

Brian Brown



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Keeping the Water Flow

Construction of Alcan's $1.3 billion water diversion project is currently on hold pending a public review ordered by Mike Harcourt.

The public review is investigating growing concern over Alcan's Kemano Completion Project which threatens 20 percent of the Fraser River Salmon stocks. The company has also been implicated in human rights violations against the Cheslatta nation.

However, the most significant hurdle to stopping the project is the issue of compensation. Alcan has already sunk over $500 million into the Kemano project. If the project is halted and Alcan is reimbursed for its investment, it is the taxpayers who will foot the bill.

Alcan holds legally binding contracts with both the federal and the provincial governments, but the contracts are only binding if the government remains dormant. A stroke of the legislative pen could void any contractual agreement with Alcan. This is the only option available to government if it wants to stop the project without paying over half a billion dollars to Alcan.

Alcan's first involvement in the area was during the 1950's when it constructed it's monstrous Kenney Dam. The dam created a sea of lakes called the Nechako Reservoir which was required to supply hydro electricity to their newly constructed Aluminum plant in Kitimat.

In 1979, Alcan announced the second phase for developing the Nechako Reservoir - the Kemano Completion Project (KCP). Scientists from the Department of Fisheries and Oceans (DFO) immediately scrutinized the project stating it would jeopardize the salmon producing ability of the Nechako.

However, shortly after the Conservative government came to power in 1985, the DFO changed it's position on Kemano - it now took Alcan's side.

The Nechako River is the main tributary of the Fraser River, the most productive fishery in the world. Almost one fifth of the salmon in the Fraser come from the Nechako river - an estimated $70 million worth of stock annually.

A secret deal reached between Alcan and the DFO in 1987 gave Alcan the go ahead to construct the KCP - a project which will reduce the original flow of the Nechako River by 88%.

The 1987 deal, commonly known as the Strangway Affair (named after the UBC president David Strangway for hosting the secret meetings) came to an agreement through only 4 days of meetings. The DFO scientists who spent over a decade on impact studies were ordered by top government officials to present only information which supported the deal.

This deal gave Alcan both legal and government support for Kemano. Any decision to stop the project would obligate the government to compensate Alcan for any losses.

On CBC's *Fifth Estate*, Alcan's Vice-president Bill Rich stated, "Alcan is no different from anybody else in our society." Stopping the project would be tantamount to expropriating Alcan's rights -like any member of society, Alcan is legally entitled to compensation. However, if Alcan was treated the same as any individual in this society, it would be serving jail time for the environmental and human rights violations it has committed.

For many centuries before 1952, the Cheslatta people lived on the shores of Cheslatta and Murray Lakes. They supported themselves by living off the land. The community had well established traplines and indigenous food sources and a close-knit relationship with one another.

In 1952, when Alcan built its monstrous Kenney Dam, the Cheslatta-Carrier nation were notified of the impending doom only after the dam started to fill.

In an attempt to legitimize this travesty of justice, officials from the Department of Indian Affairs and Alcan flew into the reserve on April 20, 1952 and forced the Cheslatta nation to sign surrender documents. Dick Byl, a lawyer for the Cheslatta band, has studied the surrender documents and says they're illegal. Byl has compiled a 300 page document revealing that the entire process was illegal.

The government then relocated the Cheslatta people into an area that was completely foreign to their way of life. Soon after their culture collapsed. Rampant alcoholism, drug addiction and a high suicide rate became endemic in their culture. The unemployment rate is about 85 per cent with social assistance being their major source of income. The traplines, which once supported the community, now lie useless beneath flooded waters.

Les Holroy, director of corporate information at Alcan, when asked about the illegal nature of the surrender documents, washed his hands and said "it's a matter between the Fed's and Cheslatta."

In his report, Byl has estimated the total loss incurred by the Cheslatta people to be about $120 million.

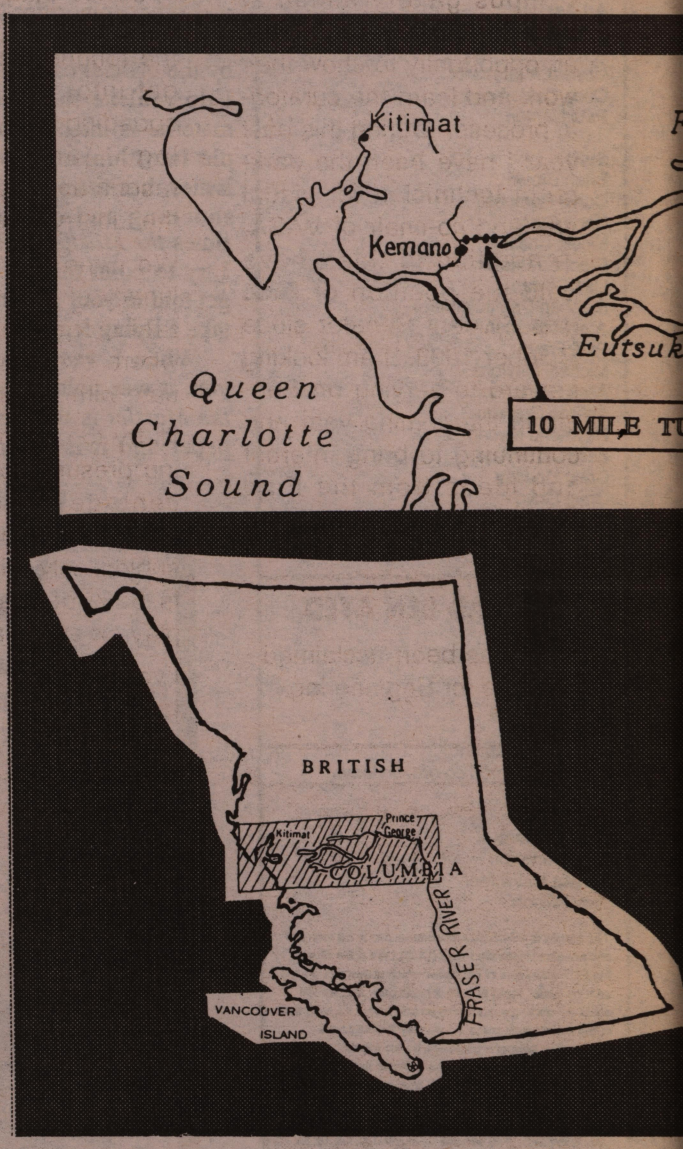
Currently, Chief Marvin Charlie of the Cheslatta nation has organized an active youth group which is reclaiming some of the land they were moved from over 40 years ago. Cheslatta youth are slowly being educated about their heritage and are being brought back to their home land to establish a new community.

Through this initiative, they have managed to successfully combat the social problems which followed the 1952 surrender. Unfortunately the 1987 agreement threatens the Cheslatta nation once again.

The agreement was negotiated when Tom Siddon was the minister for the DFO. His deputy minister ordered all the DFO scientists to remain silent, thus censoring any information which the DFO had on the deal.

Tom Siddon still maintains that the deal was in good faith and is environmentally sustainable.

Dana Wagg, a researcher for the Cheslatta nation, says "The agreement was made in bad faith, on the basis of



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pressuring, bullying and lobbying,"

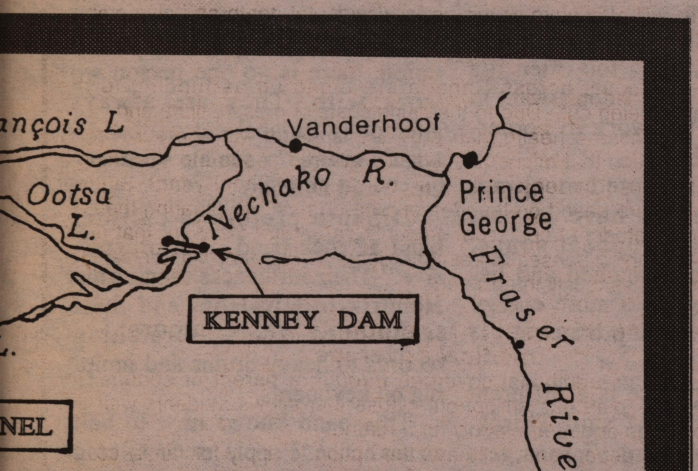
Wagg says that the deal is not in keeping with the Brundtland report, and it is not sustainable.

Apparently, Alcan was protected at the highest levels of government. In an unprecedented move, Conservative Environment Minister Robert DeCotret ordered the exemption from a mandatory environmental review.

So here's the situation so far - the DFO scientists were gagged, the Fed's sneak Alcan through the back door of the legislature and Alcan is given government support to build the KCP.

The history of Kemano is slowly surfacing and public support is coming from all sectors of society. The public review has subpoenaed the DFO scientists to testify at the public hearings.

"Alcan took on this project, they twisted arms. If Alcan goes ahead with the project, then they pay their money and take their chances," says Wagg. He believes the entire deal with Alcan was negotiated in bad faith and that Alcan isn't entitled to one penny. Wagg is not alone.



Kenney Dam was built by Alcan in the 1950's and flooded 190 000 hectares creating a sea of flooded lakes. It stopped the flow of water into the Nechako and diverted water flow through a 10 mile tunnel underneath a mountain, directly into the Pacific Ocean. This was needed to supply power to it's aluminum plant at Kitimat. This reduced the flow of the Nechako by about 40%.

Construction of the Kemano Completion Project involves the building of a second tunnel through the mountain and will reduce the original flow of the Nechako by 88%. Alcan does not need the electricity for it's aluminum facility, but plans to sell the electricity to B.C. Hydro.

Greg McDade of the Sierra Legal Defense Fund has written a report on compensation in cases where resource claims are revoked by the government. As it stands compensation issues are dealt with case by case because there is no legislation.

"There is no legal right to compensation. Compensation only arises as a matter of law where there is a statute. There is no constitutional right nor statutorial right to compensation," said McDade.

In fact, contractual agreements are routinely taken away. Bob Rae's Social Contract is an example of legal contracts being broken without any recourse through the courts.

"Undoubtedly, in the Kemano situation, if either the provincial or federal government passed a law taking away their contractual right. That is the end of it," says McDade.

"A contract gives Alcan the right of compensation but you can't bind future governments from past contracts."

There is an economic theory that states if the government legislates against compensation, investor confidence will be lost. McDade disagrees saying, "There is very little real world proof of this theory."

B.C. is left to decide what kind of a message do we send to the global economy? Do we allow bullying companies to control our resources and demand compensation or do we say enough is enough, this is our land and we only want companies which respect the voice of the people.

Cheslatta lawyer, Dick Byl said "[There] is a need to fulfill social and environmental needs. We can't give iron clad guarantees. Investment, by nature, is very risky."

If corporations are given iron-clad guarantees with investment, then any company that invests money into an environmentally unsound project can claim compensation for revenues spent and future revenues lost. The Tatshenshini is an excellent example of this.

The Tatshenshini is a 1 million hectare area in Northern B.C. Before last summer, it was originally destined for mining, having 171 mineral claims within the area. Last summer the B.C. government zoned this area as park, and revoked all mineral claims in the area.

Geddes Resources Ltd. owned most of the mineral claims and will lose the most. McDade says that when the decision was announced, the company screamed murder and demanded $1 billion in compensation. The figure has been dramatically reduced since then, down to merely $75 million.

The irony in this situation is how little the company is actually worth. McDade says the company's value is only $25 million. It appears government is the sucker in this game of high stakes compensation.

Alcan also hides behind the shield of compensation. This however is only a smoke screen, because it is only a contract which can be annulled through legislation.

No where in the legal community is this disputed. It is absolutely unquestioned that we have the right to take Alcan's contractual rights away says McDade.

Compensation should be awarded to those who have been violated against, not the violators. If tax money is spent on this project, it should be directed towards the claims of the Cheslatta people, where an estimated $120 million is owed for their loss and suffering.

If compensation is paid it should go towards the loggers who lost 190, 000 hectares of prime timber when Alcan flooded the area. This timber value has been estimated at $600 million.

The government has an obligation to represent the people of B.C., not major corporations.

Chief Marvin Charlie has lived through it all. He was 8 years old when they forced his community out of their homes and off their land. "On April 8, 1952 they closed the gate and my people were forced to leave." In light of the Alcan's disregard for environmental, economic and cultural values, the idea of giving compensation to Alcan is ludicrous. Compensation is something which needs to be given to those who suffered, not those who caused the problem.

Sean Simmons is working towards his Masters in Biology and is the Canadian University Press Editor for *The Martlet*.

In a letter written by DFO scientist Harold Mundy...

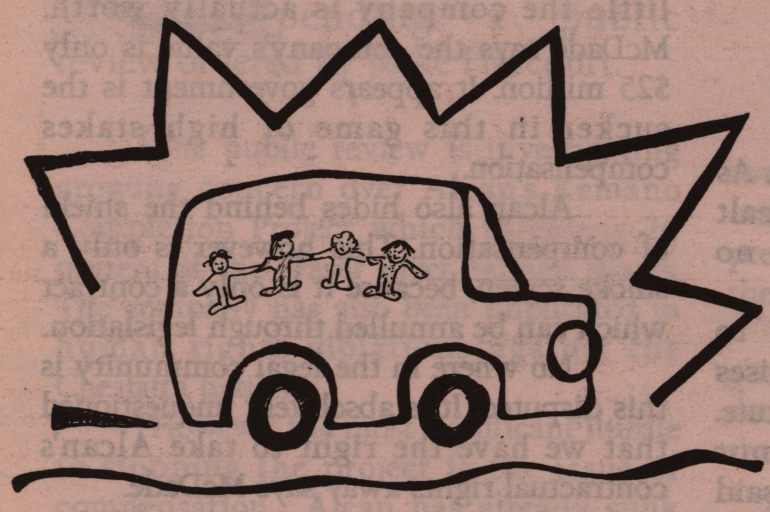
"One cannot remove 69% of the water from a river and expect to maintain salmon runs. There is therefore no relative merit in the DFO flows over those of Alcan; both are insufficient . . . Staff were instructed to support the Ministers position while adhering to the scientific evidence . . . I find it impossible to do both."

Mundy is an expert on stream ecology and has worked for the DFO for 27 years.

Source: CBC - Fifth Estate, January 1994.

arts and review

Artist is visible spokesperson



by Adrienne Mercer

A single image can spark reaction and intense discussion. And sometimes it leads to much more.

"Occasionally, people will tell me I inspire them," said Joe Average. "Those are the coolest moments. It's kind of embarrassing, it's hard to take compliments when you're always skeptical about your own work."

Average, a Victoria-born artist based in Vancouver, is receiving a Vancouver Civic Merit Award on March 8. The award recognizes the many contributions he has made through his work.

Average has created images for both local and national organizations. His recent works include a benefit art show for Muscular Dystrophy, and murals for food bank vans in Vancouver.

"...fear and ignorance come from not knowing things..."

Average also designed the national poster for AIDS Awareness in 1991.

AIDS is a familiar and important topic for Average. He has been HIV positive for nearly 12 years.

"I've become a very visible spokesperson," he said. "I've made myself very approachable, because fear and ignorance come from not knowing things, and not having the opportunity to know."

Recently, Average was approached to create an image for the 1996 World AIDS conference to be held in Vancouver.

"If it's decided that I'm definitely the person to do it, it will be my first global image," said Average. "T-shirts, banners, the whole bit. I'm petrified."

Average is happy with the continued enthusiasm and support he receives for his art.

"I seem to reach a lot of people with what I do," he said. "I don't consider my art to be political - I'm not a political person really. I just use strong images for worthy causes.

"I have been able to change a few people's minds through my work - I've just recently allowed myself to be proud of that."❑

No moshing from Chronicles crowd

by Zach LaPerriere

Rose Chronicles (with Acid Test)
March 17
Harpo's

Lights were abandoned as candles and white sheets covered the equipment.

"Strobes are too much," said Kristy Thirsk, Rose Chronicles' lead ~~singer~~.

Rose Chronicles have really made an impact. They have gained an almost immediate following, and were producing for Nettwerk, a major Vancouver record label, by their second show.

They have released an EP, *Dead and Gone to Heaven*, and a month-old album, *Shivers*.

Rose Chronicles are very conscious of being a young band. They hope to "Milk this album for awhile", Thirsk said. They also hope to do some writing, and support a tour to make the band tighter.

Happy with their label, Thirsk said, "We didn't know a direction, but Nettwerk really worked with us."

The band is difficult to define, Thirsk said.

"A lot of people can't pigeonhole us. I have no idea how to classify the band - too often it's 'ethereal pop' and I don't want to [classified]. We work in borderlines," said Thirsk.

No one attempted moshing, although people have in past shows on more upbeat songs. Instead, people watched and listened, with perhaps more energy than moshing could produce.

"Standing there is a different form of flattery," said Thirsk, "Our slowest song,Visions,gets the best audience response."

"Toronto's most hated band," Acid Test, opened for the Rose Chronicles.

"At first everyone loved us, then we signed to Sire, which was sold to Warner. Toronto is fickle; you're supposed to play for 10 years then sign a deal," said lead singer Lucy DiSanto

Acid Test have chosen to leave Toronto behind; they are relocating to Vancouver after their next tour.

They are now looking for a smaller, more personal label, hoping to work with David Ogilve of Skinnypuppy fame, for their second album.

"Warner is too big of a corporation, there is no one person we work with. They are always attempting to label us: rap band - what's grunge? - female vocalist - etc.," said DiSanto.

DiSanto prefers to call her band a "rock band - but progressive." Their influences range from Hendrix to Hip-Hop, and their techniques from scratching records to heavy drums and jumping on keyboards.

This band knows how to bait an audience. People stood talking until "guitar-tech" Steve Fall asked people to come closer. Suddenly people paid attention. The band agreed they "work on vibes."

After two tours of the U.S., Acid Test are going back again. They've played over 100 shows since June, including a show with Grace Jones at the Ritz, and will be touring in America with a band so big it's secret.❑

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Junk culture angst

by Teresa McWhirter

Reality Bites
Ben Stiller and Helen Childress
The Odeon
From Feb. 18th.

From the post-John Hughes era comes the voice of a new generation, and so emerges the slacker film *Reality Bites*.

At age 24, Helen Childress is the new l'enfant terrible of cinema, spending three years writing and re-writing the script of *Reality Bites*, a post-modern junk-culture sampler.

Winona Ryder (*Mermaids* notwithstanding, one of the best young actors around) is Lelaina Pierce, a struggling filmmaker who assembles "reality bites" of her friends.

Besides dealing with the angst is also the emotional ménage à trois with surly grunge musician/misogynist Troy (Ethan Hawke) and mousse dependent/corporate ogre Michael (Ben Stiller, who directs).

The characters postpone entering the adult world, while struggling with adult relationships and responsibility.

Hawke shows ties to the Mickey Rourke school of acting.

Janeane Garofalo as "Vickie" and Stephen Zahn as "Sammy", bring an emotional complexity to their supporting roles, and create honest characters who deal with homophobia and AIDS without leaving the audience feeling manipulated.

Hawke shows ties to the Mickey Rourke school of acting, with frequent blank stares into the camera. Somehow he manages to redeem his character, despite having to snivel lines like, "I've got a planet of regret on my shoulders."

Reality Bites is filled with pop-culture references, obscure cameos (Evan Dando groupies: wait until the end credits) and compiles possibly the best soundtrack of all time (Dinosaur Jr., Violent Femmes).

The movie caters to a new commercial target group, but it dares to see complex individuals behind the Generation X stereotype. Childress understands the Big Gulp as cultural icon, the subtext of "My Sharona", and the latch-key kid's latent fear of commitment. Validation, anyone?❑

POV gives fans a taste of their best

by Ian Matthews

Pacific Opera Victoria
15th Anniversary Concert
Thurs. March 3
Royal Theatre

Pacific Opera Victoria is celebrating 15 seasons of success tonight with a cornucopia of music, song, wine, feasting, and even a raffle.

There is much to celebrate about this "little" opera company. It seems to defy odds, swimming at cross-currents with what might loosely be called traditional opera circles.

There is a premium on Canadian content in the organization, from the office to the stage. The company generally performs in a relatively small house (800-seat McPherson Playhouse), and designs and builds its own sets.

The approach may be unorthodox, but it works. The company has achieved national, and international, notoriety with productions such as the PBS-network film production of their *Fidelio*, and a 1993 CBC radio broadcast of *A Midsummer Night's Dream.*

More importantly - to be momentarily cynical - POV has achieved its success while maintaining a budget in the black. Truly amazing.

A cynic might again say that its profitability is because of inflated supra-bourgeois ticket prices that one customarily free-associates with the opera.

However the cynic has been misinformed. Tickets for POV productions can be had for as little as $13 for students. UVic students can grab a season subscription to three POV productions for a meagre $32 (GST included).

The upcoming 1994-95 season will include Gaetano Donizetti's *The Daughter of the Regiment*; the Verdi classic, *Macbeth* (directed by local Glynis Leyshon); and the ever popular *La Boheme*, by Giacomo Puccini. All shows include English subtitles.

POV's next full-scale production will be another Verdi work, *La Traviata* - billed by POV publicist Glynis Pope as "An ideal introduction into opera."

"It's what we call a big sing [35-40 person chorus]. It contains everything one could want in an opera: beautiful music, sex and death," said Pope.

Tonight's celebration is "A salute to the Pacific Opera Victoria" by some of its alumni, including Sally Wolf, Rico Serbo, Theodore Baerg, Irena Welhasch, and special guest Alexandra Browning.

Expect to hear all those classic arias that make you say, "Where do I know that music from?"

For tickets to any POV production, phone the box office at 385-0222. Limited space is available for tonight's concert and feast. Patrons are asked to bring a non-perishable food item for the Mustard Seed Food Bank.❑

Queer book disconcerting

by Brett Grubisic

The Queer Reader
edited by Patrick Higgins
1993 Fourth Estate Ltd.
373 pages

"It is a characteristic of human nature to be inclined to regard anything which is disagreeable as untrue, and then without much difficulty to find arguments against it" - Sigmund Freud

"I think rigid heterosexuality is a perversion of nature" - Margaret Mead

...a fascinating look at the homosexual question...

The Queer Reader should not be confused with *The Lesbian and Gay Studies Reader*, another new book thoroughly recommended for anyone seriously interested in 'queer theory.'

The Queer Reader is one of those books you can read in small bits before bed or reading it in its entirety over a lazy afternoon. Its contents are both funny and painful.

Editor Patrick Higgins has compiled snippets of queer literary works from antiquity to 1993, sparing very little in way of pro or contra-homo commentary.

As charted by Higgins, "[Western] humanity has always been violently ambivalent about the fact of homosexuality." When placed side by side, the effect of all these sentiments is disconcerting.

On the one hand is the Christian bible-fuelled antagonism of "abominable" lying, and on the other are statements like "A boy is hardly a safe thing; don't trust yourself with one of them," made by the Archbishop of Tours in 1103.

This juxtaposing of contradictory comments really warms up in the latter part of the book where Higgins samples the 19th- and 20th-centuries.

Countering the nasty venom of conservative government officials, militarists and 'family-value' moralists are witty remarks by the likes of Gide, Wilde and Rorem. Also highlighted are heartfelt comments by homophilic people who have witnessed the deleterious effects of official homophobia.

Two caveats on *The Queer Reader*. One is that Higgins has used "queer" in an oddly exclusive manner: for him it refers mostly to gay men from the U.K.

Readers from the U.K. wanting to learn about lesbian experiences will be hard-pressed to find anything.

Countering the nasty venom of conservative government officials.

Not reading the introductory section will help to avoid the second problem. Higgins makes generalizations that will probably alienate much of his readership. His introduction is rigidly partisan and makes statements which, at best, will provoke debate.

That said, the contributors to *The Queer Reader*, spanning centuries, make for fascinating look at the homosexual question.❑

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SPORTS

Valkyries shut out Incognitos

photo by Shawn Hall

Scrappy, gritty forward play helped the Valkyries crush the Incognitos 52-0, Feb. 27.

by Shawn Hall

The Valkyries dominated play last weekend, shutting out the Incognitos 52-0 on Sunday.

However, Incognitos coach Roger Aubin is not discouraged. This year is the Incognitos first, he said, and they've really picked it up lately.

"...tight scrums, fast hands and good timing."

"Our strength is heart," said Aubin. He said none of the Victoria-based players had played before this year, and that the Valkyries are the best Women's rugby-side in Canada.

Aubin said he's concentrating on the basics in practice - tight scrums, fast hands and good timing. A game against a team like the Valkyries, he said, helps tighten up these basic skills.

He said there has been a great improvement in his team's play since the beginning of the year. Despite being so young, they've defeated Velox twice and managed to get into the finals.

Because of the team's recent start, Aubin said only three things are important, that the members have fun, don't get injured, and play as if the score is always 0-0.

This attitude showed as the Incognitos tightened up in the second half, even though they were behind by six trys.

Both sides were a bit loose going into the match. The Valkyries hadn't played for three weeks and fielded several members outside the starting 15.

By the second half, though, both sides were playing a more disciplined game, though the forwards remained scrappy.

The key to the Valkyries victory was controlling the ball the majority of the time, playing it down in theIncognitos' end.

Using 15 players for every point, the UVic side showed that they truly are a team, not just 15 people running for touch.❑

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Aches, sprains get quick fix

by Mike Duperron

Most people who are physically active will,at some time,be plagued with either acute or chronic injuries.

Acute injuries occur when a sudden force damages muscles, tendons, or ligaments. Chronic injuries result from overuse of a weakened area or improper technique (i.e.. tennis elbow).

The most common injuries include stretched ligaments (strains), torn fibres (sprains), inflamed tendon and bone covering (tendonitis), and muscle damage itself (bruises).

Following these injuries the body undergoes an inflammatory phase that will continue in direct relation to the degree of severity. Small blood vessels will hemorrhage, plasma will leak from post-capillary vessels, and fluid will be distributed from lymphatic capillaries.

The end result will be swelling, redness, and pain.

The three main goals in treating these injuries are to reduce swelling, relieve pain, and return the area to full activity.

Swelling can be reduced by applying ice, one-to-three times per day for 15-20 minutes. Wrapping the ice(in a towel for example), will prevent frostbite.

Compression also reduces the bi-products of injury. Wrapping the injured area in elastic bandages from the point farthest away from the heart, toward the heart, forces the extra fluids to the bloodstream via the lymphatic system.

The final step in inflammatory reduction is to elevate the injured area, which will prevent pooling of injury bi-products and recirculate them.

Pain can be controlled by using ice. Ice will reduce muscle spasms and anesthetize nerves in the area.

Acetylsalicylic acid (anti-inflammatory tablets) is also commonly used to reduce pain.

The last procedure on the road to recovery is to return to full activity. As swelling decreases, movement of the injured area should increase to regain strength, flexibility, and balance.

Many people believe that heat should be applied to injuries to relieve pain and increase the healing process. Heating pads, hot baths, and heat-producing creams actually increase local inflammation and can cause additional tissue damage.

Heat should be used only when swelling has gone down and an increase in blood circulation is needed to promote healing.

Anyone who is interested in maintaining a life of physical activity should be aware of, and understand the injury process. Following the correct steps will ensure the quickest recovery and prevent long-term damage.

It is recommended to consult a physiotherapist from day one, as there are different degrees of injury that require different levels of treatment.❑

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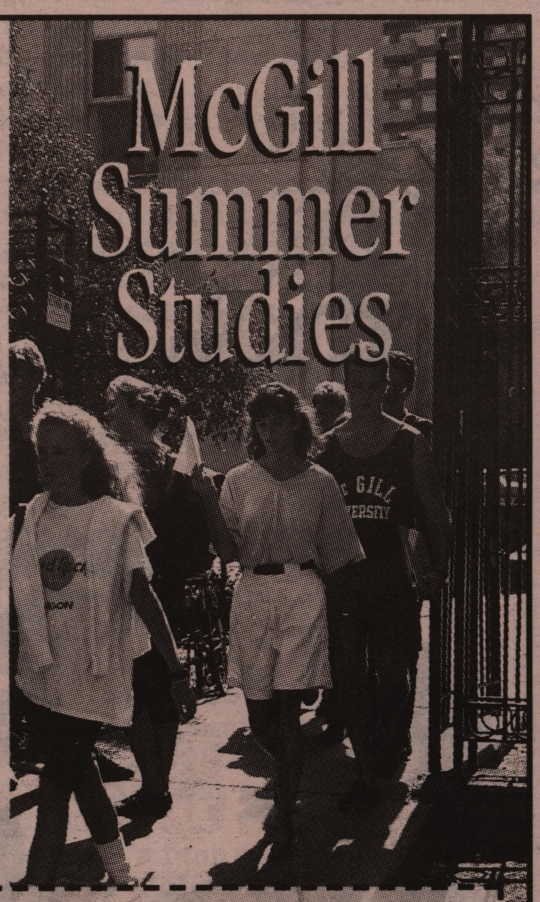

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Vikes work together for win

by Shawn Hall

The UVic women's basketball team won two straight against Calgary to advance to the Canada West Finals against UBC next week.

The Vikes dominated both games, though their flawless play

No one player made the game.

Friday made Saturday's look lax by comparison.

"Talk about gelling at the right time," said Tracy Bowie, Vikes assistant coach. "The team displayed the teamwork evident all season, but finally everybody played their part."

After coming back from an early eight-point deficit on Friday, the Vikes held about a 10-point lead for the rest of the game.

The only time they lost their momentum was halfway through the second period when UVic forward Kirsten Brown was taken out of the game with a knee injury.

The injury seemed to shake the UVic side for a few minutes, their lead reduced to one point. They quickly regained their stronger standing, to finish 78-64.

Cherie Birtwistle dominated the inside play for UVic, scoring 17 points and getting seven rebounds. Chris Van Aert and Kari-Anne Butterworth added some key shots from the outside court.

No one player made the game, though, as coach Jeff Speedy used the whole bench.

On Saturday UVic was not so tight, but still dominated.

"We were pushing too hard, trying too much," said Bowie. She said one big winning-point of the UVic side is their teamwork.

However, this can sometimes get in the way if players are always looking to pass rather than run the ball upcourt.

UVic ended up taking the game 72-65.

The Canada West final is at UVic next weekend against UBC.

"I think it's going to be the best basketball played here since last year's nationals," said Bowie.

UVic lost last year's Canada West final to the University of Lethbridge, but won the year before.

Whoever loses this weekend ends the season early. The winner will go on to the nationals in Calgary the following weekend.❑

photo by Shawn Hall

UVic's women's basketball team beat Calgary twice last weekend to advance to the Canada West finals.

UVic men out

Games lost by one and two points

by Craig Lindsay

UVic's mens basketball team was knocked out of the Canada West Play-offs last weekend, with a pair of close losses to arch-rival UBC.

Both games had the crowd on its feet in the final minutes. Friday's game was lost by one point, Saturday's by two.

The Vikes finished the regular season with a 13-7 record, good for second place in the CanWest. UBC came into the semi-finals ranked third with a 10-10 record.

Saturday night's game proved to be even more exciting than Friday's barnburner

Friday night's game saw the Vikes jump out to a 38-24 lead with 1:30 left in the first half. Strong shooting from Todd Langley and a couple of strong blocks by twin towers Jeff Bevington and Pat Cannon gave the Vikes the momentum they needed.

UBC came out strong in the second half, scoring the first 7 points and cutting the lead to 41-37 within three minutes.

The game was close the rest of the way, with Greg Meldrum's strong play giving UVic a slight edge for most of the half.

The game was not lost until the final minute.

Burly forwards Derek Christiansen and Bob Heighton led the way for the Thunderbirds as they caught up and went ahead 68-67 with 1:46 left.

A trey from Langley for UVic and two free-throws from Meldrum put the Vikes ahead until the Thunderbirds' Christiansen hit a tough leaner. This sent the game into overtime with 24 seconds left.

Heighton set the tone for UBC in the overtime period with a huge dunk off of a rebound. The Vikes' Colin Brousson had a chance to tie with time running out, but his three-point attempt fell just short.

The heart-breaking final was UBC 82, UVic 81. Langley led the Vikes with 29 points, while Meldrum added 25.

Saturday night's game proved to be even more exciting than Friday's barnburner.

With Brian Livingston leading the way in the first half, the Vikes held a 44-42 edge at the break.

UBC went out to a 66-62 lead half-way through the second half, with Christiansen once again leading the 'Birds.

The Vikes quickly caught up with Jeff Bevington leading the way. After Todd Langley's trey with 2:45 left, the Vikes led 85-81.

A couple of leaning jumpshots from UBC point-guard Brian Tait and the 'Birds were up 86-85 with less than two minutes to play.

Shawn King scored to put UVic up by one. Then Meldrum stuffed Heighton, giving the Vikes a chance to go up by three with under 30 seconds left.

With Colin Brousson and Brian Livingston watching from the bench, the Vikes were tentative to shoot until Casey Olynyk missed on an off-balance shot.

Heighton then scored and drew the foul for the 'Birds.

Heighton's free throw put UBC up 89-87 with 8.3 seconds left.

Meldrum put up a three-pointer to win but the ball rolled around the rim and out, giving UBC the win and a trip to the Canada West final.

Livingston led the Vikes with 22 points, while Langley chipped in with 16.❑

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Feb. 25-27
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Rowing - Shawnigan Race - Feb.27
Open Men: UVic-1st; UVic JV's-2nd
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Open Novice Men: UVic-2nd
Open Novice Women: UVic-1st
Rugby - Vikes California Tour
UVic-30 vs. Stanford-15
UVic-41 vs. Berkeley-17
UVic-56 vs. N.C.Allstars-0
Valkyries-52 vs. Incognitos-0
Basketball - Canada West Playoffs
Feb. 25: Men-81 vs. UBC-82
Women-78 vs. U of Calgary-64
Feb. 26: Men-87 vs. UBC-89
Women-72 vs. U of Calgary-65
UVic women advance to the CWUAA finals vs. UBC @ UVic

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Rugby
Saturday, March 5
a) Saxons vs. Peninsula
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b) Norsemen vs. Velox
2:30 p.m. @ Wallace
Vikes vs. UBC Oldboys @ Vancouver
Rowing
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THURSDAY MAR. 03

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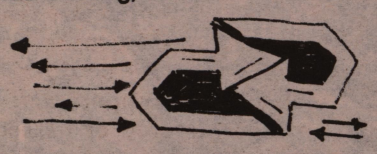

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SATURDAY MAR. 05

The Sweaters, a three-piece speed-pop outfit, play at Felicita's, 9pm.

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(❁)We have a project to create a listing of women-positive lawyers. Hopefully this will aid women in choosing the right lawyer. If you have any information please call the Centre @ 721 8353 and leave a message for Colette and Ana

(❧)Facilitated, self-help support group for survivors of date and acquaintance rape meets every Monday @ 4:30 in the Centre. Contact 721 8353 for more info.

UVic Students For Literacy

If you are concerned about illiteracy in our community, there are three ways to get involved: fundraising, help raise awareness, or tutor a learner. Call 384 3038 for more info.

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Counselling Services

Information on the following workshops available in Counselling Services, Rm. B202, University Centre or @ 721 8341.

Assertion Training. Eating Disorders group. Goals and Values. Stress Management.

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UVic Bridge Club

A good time is in the cards...when you play bridge. We meet Sundays 11-2pm in the SUB Upper Lounge, beginning Feb 6. Contact Jane @ 383 6240 for more information.

Student Employment Centre

We have moved and are now located in Room 110, Campus Services Building. Visit the Centre regularly to view summer, career and part-time/casual job opportunities. We also have a resource library and info. on study or work overseas. We also offer **job search help** and **resume workshops**. Come see us for details.

Native Students' Union

We have weekly social gatherings Mondays 6pm, Cle C108, with pizza every second week. Business are held Fridays 12:30 MacL A323, coffee provided. Call 721 7864 for information.

Date Rape and Dating Violence Education Project

Help promote safe and healthy sexual relationships! Join the Project. Contact Tina @ 721 8353 for more exciting details and meeting times.

Peer Helping Centre

Feeling stressed out? Need to vent? Or just want to talk about something? Come and see us, upstairs in the University Centre, Room 202. **Anyone interested in next year's program:** interview deadline is Feb. 25.

Debating Union

UVic's non-political debating union now meets every Monday 4:30 Cle C110.. For more info: Sam @ 721 1204.

Environmental Studies Students' Association

We meet weekly Wednesdays @ 1-2pm, Sedg C168. ESSA office: Sedg C189.

Internat'l Women's Day Film Fest and Open House Planning Committee

Fridays @ 12pm in the Women's Centre. All welcome.

The Homebrew Club

Interested in learning to brew? Or in showing off your brewing skills? Come and join us every Friday in SUB 137a @ 3pm. Contact Jason @ 477 7196.

UVic Equestrian Club

Interested in horsepersonship? We accommodate all levels and interests. Beginner to advanced; Western to English. Join us every Mon. at 6pm in Cle C111 or contact Jennifer @ 592 3168 or Melanie @ 477 6543.

Association of International and Canadian Students

We welcome people to join our club. **Executive meetings** are on Thurs. at 5pm in Cle C305. For more information contact Vy @ 721 5337.

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Now you don't need to hitchhike.

nobody would have known about Suzanne's b-day had her accordion not told a few close friends.

Jody: let me sleep while you drive - love, Bruce

More letters!

Pollard appalled

Editors:

Re: "Students take sides on abortion" (Feb. 10): two students approached me in September hoping to start a "pro-life" club through the Students' Society. I outlined the standard requirements for clubs, and supplied them with information about past years' similar clubs. I also informed them that the Students' Society has had "pro-choice" policy—set by the membership in a General meeting—for five years. They were free to form the club, and actively present a range of activities to abortion, but the Students' Society could not and would not support activities which targeted or persecuted "pro-choice" students, nor activities directed towards suppressing or destroying the rights or freedoms of women. At that point the students said they "weren't really interested."

Their table outside the SUB (authorized by the University's Catholic Chaplain) indicates that some in the University itself are interested in supporting these sorts of activities. The table featured graphic and hateful literature, and female students brought forward complaints about the conduct of those sitting at the table. At no time have the students been "denied club status" as your article claims (they just formed the "Youth Protecting Youth Club"), but the sorts of negative activities I outline above will receive no support from the Students' Society.

If I saw the Students' Society supporting *any* club seeking to suppress the rights of social groups struggling against discrimination or persecution on the basis of gender, race, sexual orientation, physical disability, or economic background, I would be thoroughly appalled.

Matt Pollard
UVSS Director of Services

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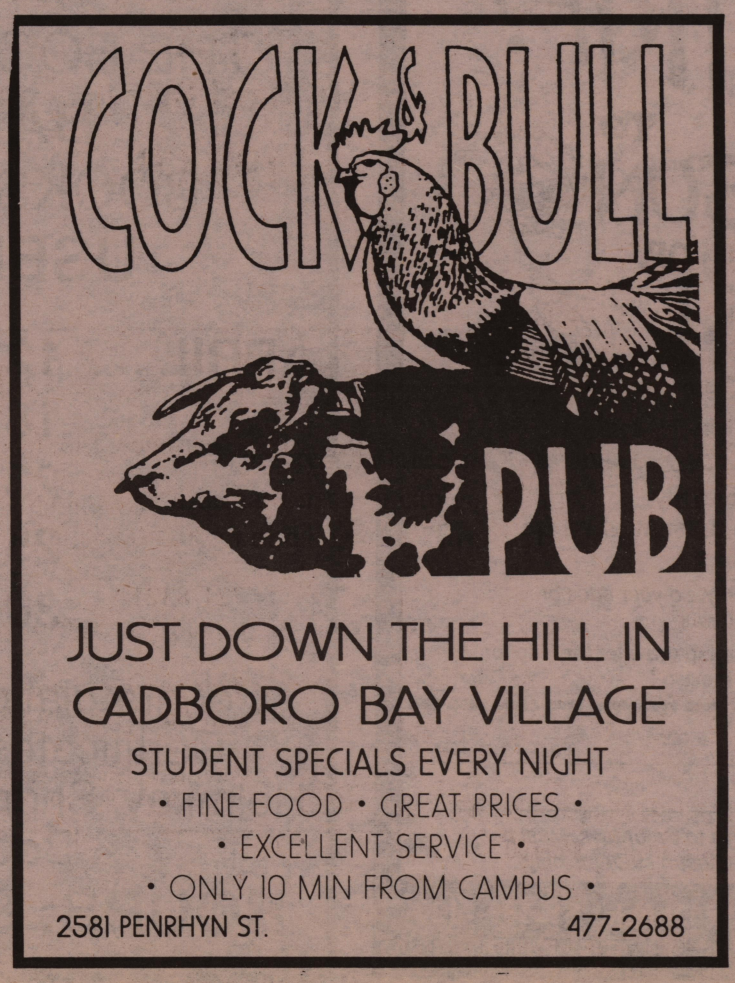

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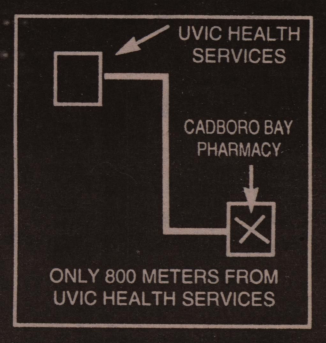

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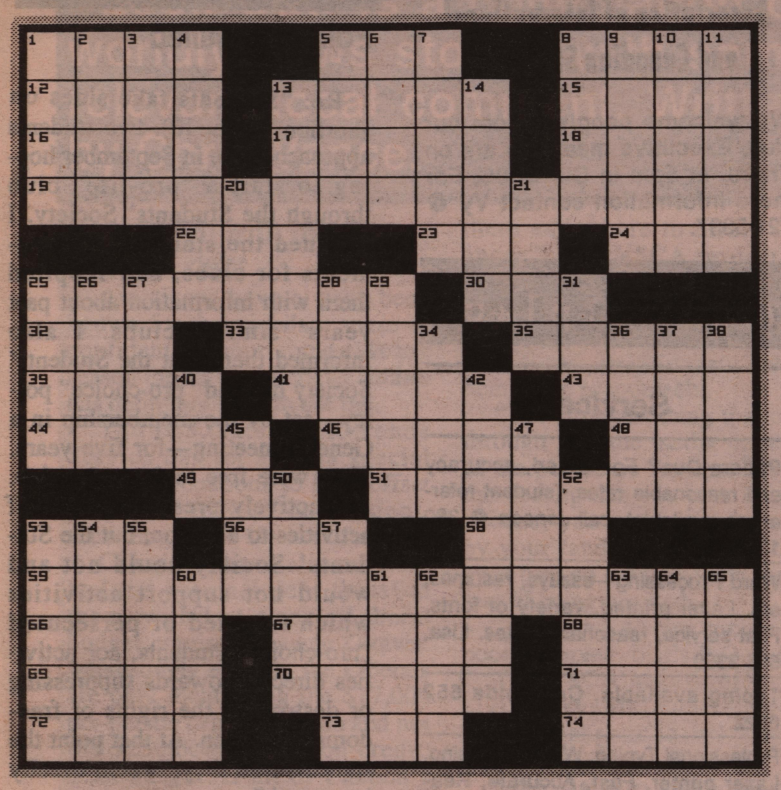

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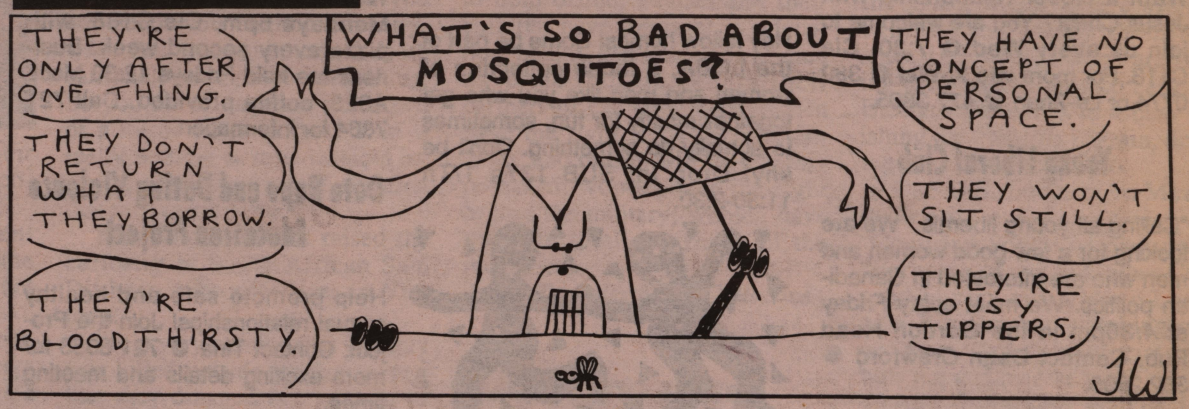


Good Eats

Martlet Crossword

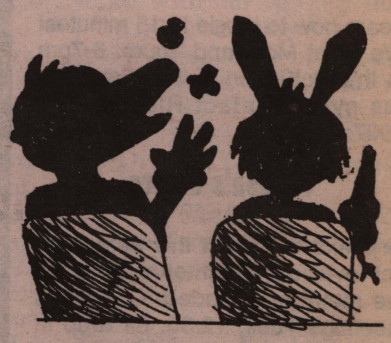
by Daniel Pifko

ACROSS

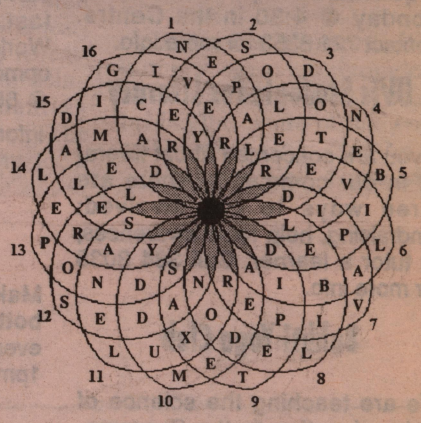
1 Animal dropping
5 Important Krebs' cycle compound (abbr)
8 Computerized drafting program (abbr)
12 ____ la! (My goodness!)
13 Group of soldiers
15 The "stronger" sex
16 Luke Perry look-alike James ____
17 Attendee redirector
18 Dress dewrinkler
19 Where to go after declaring 59 across (3 wds)
22 India, e.g.
23 Sat. night comed. show
24 Golf ball elevator
25 Mongolian stir fry on Yates
30 Unwelcome picnic guest
32 Mar follower
33 Nurses or maids native to India
35 K-Tel offering
39 Zippo, zilch, bagel
41 Piggy homes
43 ____ Cabana
44 0 for 10 for Joe Carter
46 Green gunge in stagnant lakes
48 Data's daughter
49 Hawaiian treat
51 Indian style of food, bears orange tint
53 Be in the second person
56 Go-aheads
58 Tear
59 Residence tenant's cry of exasperation (3 wds.)
66 False G-d
67 Best semolina for pasta making
68 Seaweed, at Kaz
69 Location
70 Body building acid
71 Children's book author ____ Blyton
72 Unsaturated carbon compounds (suff)
73 Unhappy
74 Destroy totally

DOWN

1 American pop
2 Cook with papers, doesn't divulge recipes
3 Jai ____
4 Wine ingredient, causes "chalkiness"
5 English butt
6 Homer's exclamations
7 Keats and Browning
8 Arab governor
9 Diamond gradation
10 By one's self
11 Proper pasta should be al this
13 Fall food fare
14 ____ Bindu yoga
20 Arrives before end-b and end-c
21 Forearm bone
25 Egg fryers
26 Iridescent mineral
27 An official Pakistani language
28 Pro ____. Paid for what you work
29 What you hold on an s-sword
31 Kindness (abbr)
34 Game Gear giver
36 Mac network game, or Philippine knife
37 What u do when u sink the ball as planned
38 Former Sudanese Republic
40 One coulomb per second (abbr)
42 Ambrosial Greek restaurant at Quadra and Hillside
45 Ill-financed
47 Alter text
50 Furniture co.
52 Appetizer
53 Licorice flavour source
54 Thinker artist
55 Give off feelings
57 Slimy films
60 Toreadors' yells
61 Solo
62 Financial collective
63 ____ Barrett
64 Variable size circular opening
65 Sidekick



Solutions for Feb. 10 Spin Cycle Crossword



"GREEDY' IS RIOTOUSLY FUNNY!"
–Jeffrey Lyons, SNEAK PREVIEWS

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Senate is one of the two major governing bodies of the University. It is concerned with academic governance matters. It determines enrollment and admissions, approves new programs, grants degrees, makes rules for the management of the Library, recommends awards and scholarships to the Board and so on. It meets on the first Wednesday of every month from September to May at 7:30. In addition, it has a number of committees on which all senators serve. Student senators should serve on at least one Senate committee.

CANDIDATES FOR SENATE

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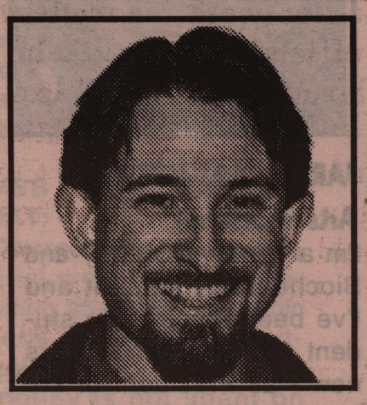

NEIL BARMAN
Fine Arts

I am a visual arts student entering my fourth year of studies in September 1994. In my first year at Uvic I was the Visual Arts Students' Association's first year representative. I acted as the voice of many first year students and was able to present their opinions to the department. In my second year I sat on VASA's committee acting as a liaison between faculty and students. I was also an active member of the M Gallery committee, an on-campus gallery aimed at giving visual arts students an opportunity to show their work and learn the curatorial process. During this past year I have been the darkroom technician for visual arts and co-chair of VASA. In addition to this I have held the position of Fine Arts Student Senator since October 1993. I am looking forward to serving on Senate in the coming year and continuing to bring interest and ideas from the Fine Arts community.

MORAD BEN AYED

Morad has been acclaimed to Senate for Engineering.

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CHRISTOPHER DEVLIN
Student Senator (Law)

Hello. I think it's important you should know the course I believe the university should follow as an institution. Let me mention a few of the issues I see crucial for Senate to address.

Senate must support the Bilson Berger report, the Bertha Wilson report on Gender Bias, and continuing work of chilly climate committees in all faculties and departments.

Student senators must dispel the idiocy of raising entrance standards (to the point where we are one of the toughest universities to get into) without a corresponding increase in funding and academic resources (anyone been to the Library recently?).

We need to challenge the lunacy of moving towards a technical-school system, where everyone must graduate within four years.

I'll try to change the annoying presumption that a percentage grade can be assigned to work marked subjectively - I mean, what is 62% of a sculpture, or play, or an essay?

I've worked with the Legal Info Clinic, the UVic Students' Society, the Steelworkers in the SUB, and CFUV-FM. I would like to represent the Faculty of Law as your student senator. Please, remember to vote - March 15th, 16th and 17th.

J. BRANDON FORAN
Arts & Science

I'll provide an effective voice for students in the senate. There are many valid concerns that I hope to deal with including:

TREG

-spring registration, ending students mindlessly taking spots away from those major students needing particular courses, fairer method of date distribution. A positive re-evaluation needs to be done.

HARASSMENT COMMITTEE & OFFICER

-ensure fiascoes such as the poli-sci incident do not occur again. I will help to make the university a fair and equitable place to work for EVERYBODY.

COURSE UNIONS

-encourage the development and autonomy of ALL professional course unions and maintain the level of enthusiasm for individual course unions.

GRADE APPEAL PROCEDURES

-let's be serious, we're paying enough as it is. The procedure needs to be changed and I'll work towards a better and beneficial policy.

STUDENT LOANS

-not only are we in the capital but in the riding of a powerful NDP MLA.; 15000 voices are sure to make an impact. Student loans procedures can and will be altered when elected.

I'm approachable for concerns on issues, LIBRARY funding, ATHLETICS, INNOVATIVE courses or RESIDENCE, will be listened to. I'll act in the best interest for the WHOLE student body.

JEAN-LUC FOREST
Arts & Science

As a senate candidate, I am committed to make a positive contribution. I will bring some reasonable but important changes to the rules and regulations, policies and procedures that the senate oversees. Some issues and concerns that I will work on include the following:

- To ESTABLISH STRONG TIES with the STUDENT BODY at large, to bring important and pressing student issues, as they arise, to the senate meetings.

- COURSE APPEALS. There must be alternative courses offered to students whose courses have been cancelled without prior notice. Ensure more fair and equitable access to grade and fee reduction appeals.

-That LIBRARY RESOURCES and ACCESSIBILITY be improved through an increase in funding (this would include promotion of external funding through public and private resources).

- TREG. Problems persist and must be addressed. More lines should be made available as well as toll free access.

- The UVIC campus is a precious asset. Parking that is lost due to building expansion should be replaced only by underground facilities and not at the expense of GREEN SPACE.

- that TUITION fees are not increased. Although there is increased financial pressure on the administration, the costs must not continue to be shouldered by the students. Other alternatives exist and should be explored.

GET OUT & VOTE! YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

MEGHAN GAUDET
Arts & Science

I'm in 4th year Sociology/Psychology and I've worked as a Director of our Student Society this past year. During this time, I've had the opportunity to learn how decisions are made in the back rooms of UVic.

I've kept track of the proceedings on the Senate and I've seen how hard it works to make our academic life more complicated. With your support I'll:

1) help educate students on Grade Appeals procedures. How many students really know all the appeal options available to them when they've been mistreated by profs or the UVic bureaucracy.
2) ensure the new harassment policy is applied fairly. The individual rights of students, staff and faculty must be safeguarded.
3) promote more summer classes to alleviate mass overcrowding. This will also give students more flexibility to take courses which were full or unavailable during the rest of the year.
4) help change the user-unfriendly TeleReg system. TeleReg needs urgent attention. An earlier start, less rules and an end to the elitist priority system is required now.

With your support on polling days, I'll be able to help you survive UVic.

VOTE on March 15, 16, 17

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PAMELA GRANT
Arts & Science

My name is Pamela Grant & I would like to be one of your representatives on Senate this year.

During the past year, I have become involved in student politics through my work as:

- President of the Political Science Students' Association
- President of the National Party of Canada UVic Chapter
- A member of Course Union and Clubs Councils
- A student member of the UVSS Ombudsperson and Speakers Planning Committees
- I recently joined the UVSS Organizational Development Committee

As representative on Senate, I would work towards realistic goals to benefit us all, including:

- Improved library service. We need a library that stays open past 6 PM on Fridays and Saturdays. I would work for the creation of student work positions in the Macpherson library
- Fair representation for, but not domination by, special interest groups
- The development of evening child care services for student parents
- The abolition of space in the daycare for children of faculty, staff or members of the local community
- Tuition freeze. Education should be a realistic goal, current loan levels contradict this

I have the commitment to achieve these goals.

I hope you will give me the opportunity to do so. Thanks.

SANDRA GUARASCIO
Arts & Science

I am a regular student with regular student concerns and a loud enough voice to let concerns be heard. Are you worried about the increasing financial burden we face while the quality of our education seems to diminish? Over the next year, UVIC students will need the voice of the regular student to represent our concerns. The issues will always be changing but my commitment to improving the quality of our education will not.

In the past two years I have demonstrated my dedication to student life through active involvement with many activities and groups on campus including Peer Helping, Orientation Programs, and Course groups. I am aware of services currently in place on campus and would bring this knowledge and years of experience in student leadership to the Senate. I enjoy making noise that makes a difference and I am dedicated to improving the services we deserve.

- **I will not** attempt to ban cars, meat, or beer from campus.
- **I will not** talk about distributing funds that do not exist.
- **I WILL** work to increase the volume of the student voice.

Realistic. Simple. Sincere. Help us all by remembering to vote!

Don't forget to VOTE!

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TIM MCNEIL
Law

"Why elect Tim Macneil to the University of Victoria Senate and Board of Governors? Because I've served on the Senate of the University of Waterloo, and so offer *experience*. As that was the Senate of a different University, I can offer *perspective*. But to be honest, I have an axe to grind. I think that students in Coop programs on this campus are given short shrift. A year ago, at the time of the past elections for Senate and Board of Governors, I was interested in running, and was nominated. I found, however, that I was unable to participate in **any** of the election campaigning because **none** of it was designed with Coop students (can you say "workterm"?) in mind. The institutions on this campus need to be reformed to make it easier for Coop students to participate. I promise, if elected to the Senate and Board of Governors, to do everything I can to raise the concerns of Coop Students in both places, and, more importantly, to make it easier for Coop students' voices to be heard <u>in the future</u>. Why elect Tim Macneil to the Senate and Board of Governors? *Experience*, *Perspective*, *Attitude*.

don't
forget
to vote on March 15, 16, 17

JAREK OLESZCZUK
Arts & Science

I'm a 3rd year Biology and Biochemistry student and I've been involved in student activities for 2 years now - as President of the Association of Foreign and Canadian Students and this year as Director of the UVic Students' Society.

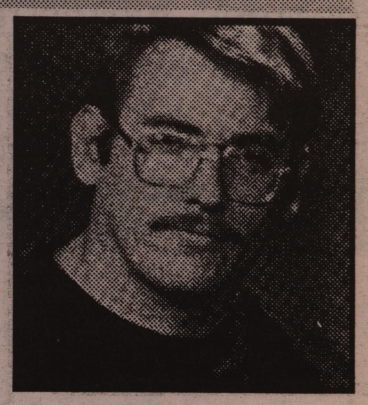
In every Senate meeting I went to, I saw a bunch of administrators who do not care about Students.

I've changed a few things already and with your help I'll change much more.

- inform students about **GRADE APPEAL** procedures
- the University must recognize and fund the **OMBUDSPERSON** as an independent "watchdog"
- the Library must keep copies of **PAST EXAMS** for every course
- the condition of the Library should be improved in many areas and **LOWER PHOTOCOPYING COSTS** are a priority
- students should have **ACCESS TO BUILDINGS** on campus to use them as study areas during the weekends or at night
- **MORE PROGRAMS** should be offered and courses cannot be cancelled in the last minute
- **INTERNATIONAL SCOPE** of courses is a must especially in certain departments

We came here to get a good education, we pay a lot of money to get it - we shouldn't have to fight for it!

Focus on EDUCATION and NOT administration!



GEORGE PRINGLE
Arts & Science

Senate can act as a help or a hindrance to students with its responsibilities for piles of rules, regulations, policy and procedures. Senate is full of old dinosaurs who have been there for ten to twenty years and we need student reps who know the "ins & outs to defend our rights. Re-elect George Pringle and I'll keep working hard to:

My objectives for next year include:

1) Start **TeleReg** in the spring when students are actually here. Imagine having your schedule set before you leave for the summer.

2) continue fighting for **privacy** rules so profs & bureaucrats can't go snooping through your academic and personal records,

3) strengthen & speed up the **academic appeals** process. Students must be confident that there is a fair and speedy appeal system with due process guiding every action. The University must extensively advertise the various appeal procedures to ensure that every student has full access.

Our education is threatened from two sources, government underfunding and the UVic adminstration's inability to academic program financing their primary priority. I've served at each level of student representation and have proven that I'm not afraid to stand up and fight for you.

POLLING STATIONS
will be set up at the following locations:

<u>March 15, 16, 17,</u>

Commons Block, Unicentre, SUB, Library, Clearihue, Cornett & Elliot.

<u>March 15</u>

University Bookstore, Fine Arts Building, Begbie,

<u>March 16</u>

Visual Arts Building, MacLaurin, University Bookstore.

<u>March 17</u>

MacLaurin, Phoenix, HSD.

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SERGIO RODRIGUEZ
Arts & Science
See my platform under Board of Governors

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STACEY TABERT
Arts & Science - 3rd Year

I am currently in my 3rd Year of English/Environmental Studies, with intentions of entering UVic's Post Professional Degree program in Education. I have spent the last year as a Director of the UVSS, and I feel that my involvement in student issues has significantly enhanced my knowledge of students' needs and concerns. As a student representative on the Senate I propose to:

* Promote fair and accessible post secondary education to **ALL** students; including mature and international students.
* Replace the proposed tuition fee increase by reinstating the **tuition fee freeze**.
* Prevent the establishment of user fees for the Mac Lab; ensure continued access to word processing.
* Ensure a safe and equitable learning and work environment for women on campus.
* Guarantee student access to appeal by strengthening the Equity office.
* Significantly increase Library funding which will open the opportunity for student employment and greater accessibility.
* Abolish the $100 pre-registration fee for TREG as well as provide free phones on campus.

I believe that these objectives are attainable and representative of student concerns. It will be my personal goal to act as a liaison between students and Administration, by attempting to close the gap between Us and Them.

DAVE WHEATCROFT
Arts & Science

Students need an effective voice on the university Senate. This body sets the academic rules for us and it is important that YOUR representatives knows what they are doing. I have been on this campus since 1989 and have paid attention to the issues; as well, I have previously served on the Senate. I KNOW HOW THEY PLAY THE GAME. I WILL :

1) Work for improvements to Telereg. Some changes that could be made are to open registration in the spring while students are still here and hold hearings on how to improve telereg each September.

2) Fight for library resources. In times of cutbacks, this is a favourite target of administration to the detriment of all students.

3) The Code of Conduct has been defeated for the time being, but it could be back. I will oppose any and all attempts to do so.

4) Fairer and more efficient grade appeals procedures. It is important that students who are screwed by the system have the wrongs righted as fast as possible.

Polling Stations:

Mar 15,16,17
Clearihue, SUB,Unicentre Library, Cornett, Elliot Commons Blk

Mar 15
Fine Arts Blg, Begbie
UVic Bookstore

Mar 16
MacLaurin
UVic Bookstore
Visual Arts Blg

Mar 17
MacLaurin, Phoenix, HSD

CANDIDATES FOR BOARD OF GOVERNORS

The Board of Governors is the other major governing body of the University. It maintains and builds the University buildings and properties, appoints the staff of the University including the President, Vice President and Deans, establishes faculties and departments on the recommendation of Senate, determines all fees including tuition fees, administers the University assets, provides for student loans, approves the University budget and so on. It meets approximately every 7 weeks from September to June. Board members usually serve on two Board committees as well as the Board. The committees meet two weeks before the Board meeting.

MARINA DAGNALL
Arts & Science

My name is Marina Dagnall and I hope to be one of your representatives on the Board of Governors for 1994/95. As a mature student entering my third year of study in Political Science, my interest in student activities has led me to sit on the Political Science Student Association executive as well as the UVSS Course Union Council and various committees.

My objectives for next year include:

- Education is our right - **tuition must be frozen!**
- Improve overall campus safety for the benefit of ALL students, faculty and university staff.
- Promote a positive relationship between all faculties and their respective course unions.
- Maintain reasonable parking fees.
- Increase Library service, why are they cutting back our main resource?
- Improve emergency student loan funding.
- Reduce $100 preregistration fee.

Although the BoG is closed to general public attendance, it is possible to have your views heard and recognized . I have the experience and commitment required to mediate and advocate for your issues. Your support during this election would be greatly appreciated. Please exercise your right to vote and remember that I am running as a team with George Pringle.

BETH HARDY
Arts & Science

The majority of the Board of Governors are Government appointees. I feel that members of the University community should make up the majority of Board representation. I will continue to lobby the Provincial Government to amend the Universities Act to increase campus representation. I have also moved a motion to make the UVic Board open for student presentations.. Currently, ours is the only University Board of Governors in BC that does not allow student presentations.

Equity issues and the Climate of the University are important debates raised at UVic this year. As a student rep. I have consistently lobbied for Administration to support the work of Climate Committees and implement the recommendations that these committees offer.

Since 1986 the Federal Government has cut $6.8 billion in transfer payments for post-secondary education to the provinces. Our tuition has been increasing because of under funding. We are paying more money for tuition, yet there are fewer available courses, larger classes, and enrollment caps. Tuition increases don't mean improved access for students or improved quality of education. The Board must *demand* post secondary education be properly funded instead of passing the burden on to students by raising tuition fees.

TIM MCNEIL
Law
See my platform under Senate

GEORGE PRINGLE
Arts & Science

For the next 3 to 4 years, UVic will be suffering severe financial pressures. Too often we end with student reps who spend all their time standing on soap boxes yelling about chilly climates or accusing the Commonwealth Games Society of being an imperialist organisation. We need student representatives with experience with budgets and other boring policy details to safeguard our right to receive a quality education.

Some of my objectives for next year include:

- Redirecting work study fund that are currently assigned to non-academic purposes to increase pay rates for Teaching Assistants,
- To sell non-academically focused assets (Dunsmir Lodge - the fancy hotel/conference centre for a start,
- To fund additional classes rather than surplus administration,

In addition, I believe that our student reps need to take a positive attitude towards the Commonwealth Games. With the eyes of the world on UVic, we don't need political radicals whining about their "cause of the week." This is an opportunity to attract donations from around the world to our underfunded campus, preferably to areas where students feel the need is greatest.

Please vote and remember that I am running as a team with Marina Dagnall.

ALL CANDIDATES FORUM

THURS MAR. 3. 11:00 am & 1:30 pm
WED MAR. 9, 11:00 am & 1:30 pm
AT SUB UPPER LOUNGE

both in the SUB Upper Lounge.
Hear the candidates talk about their issues!

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SERGIO RODRIGUEZ -
Arts & Science

I'm running for re-election to the Senate and election to the Board of Governors. This year we took some small steps towards making a difference and I hope that you will support me so we can get more things done next year. My top fourteen goals and objectives for the next term include:

- Tuition can't keep rising at increasing rates as Student Services are cut back and class sizes increased! We have to make government deliver on promise to make Education top priority
- If fees rise, making sure we aren't gouged by high tuition and the increase in the cost of education is shared among faculty, staff and the UVic Administration
- More money for telephones for TREG and toll-free teleregistration
- Promoting autonomy for course unions and faculty societies: Arts & Science, Engineering, Arts and Science, Education, HSD and Fine Arts students should have their own independent student societies to do what they want when they want to do it
- Improve safety on campus: speed limits on Ring Road should be enforced as cyclists and pedestrians are at risk and lighting should be improved as more women are having to take an increasing number of night classes
- More money for library: lines to use Victor terminals are getting longer and longer and hours of operation should be expanded
- UVic is 10 years behind most North American universities in the use of computers and networks in its educational activities. New initiatives should be pursued to consider how the application of new technologies could improve access to data and information for students and simultaneously reduce costs by alleviating space crunch in library
- Supporting the creation of an International House where foreign students find the special support services they need and can also mingle with each other and with Canadian students who also benefit by learning about other cultures and preparing themselves for a borderless world
- Making sure that residence students are not forced to pay higher fees in order to finance the condos being built for the Commonwealth Games
- Quality of Food Services continues to decline and choice is too limited. Privatization should be considered.
- Making sure changes to the Harassment Policy respect student complaints: we need a policy that listens when we speak!
- Entrenching academic freedom in the University's new Mission Statement. We don't want our freedom of speech and academic inquiry to be trampled by anyone!

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LESIA STANGRET

LAW

My name is Lesia Stangret- I have a strong interest in student issues and university policy and have represented students as VP: University Affairs at Wilfrid Laurier University and on the Law Students Society executive. The following reflect some of my priorities and concerns:

•**INCREASED SECURITY MEASURES:** 55 bike thefts, 4 auto thefts, 3 reported sexual and common assaults and countless unreported incidents: all in 1993 alone. Yet our campus is staffed by only three - sometimes two - security officers per night. The Board of Governors should make safety and security a priority by allocating resources to allow for:

* a 24 hour "Safe Haven" for campus emergencies: there is currently no "place" to go after regular hours

*increased security personnel - particularly women (1 out of 10 officers on a campus where 58% are women is not enough)

*Emergency Telephones

*METRAC Campus Safety Audits

*a Campus Crimestoppers program

•**TUITION FREEZE:** Though the government froze tuition last year, the university *doubled* the increase in 1993/94. Queens MBA students will soon be paying $20, 000 a year for their degree. Is this what UVic has to look forward to? Though education is not a priority for government, it *is* for students. We have to let the government and administration know that we find such tactics unacceptable. Meanwhile, student poverty is a reality. The percentage of our fees directed to bursaries and Work Student programs should be increased, differential fees for international students abolished, and differential fees for professional and graduate programs not even considered.

•**UNIVERSITY CODE OF ETHICS:** The Board must oppose unchecked discretionary powers by university officials in disciplinary and harassment actions.

•**ACADEMIC GRADING:** Faculties should be allowed to maintain autonomy in selecting the grading method (percentage or letter) best suited to their discipline. Mandating one over the other is inappropriate.

If you share any of these concerns, please consider voting March 15-17.

bring your student card

POLLING STATIONS
will be set up at the following locations:

March 15, 16, 17,
Commons Block, Unicentre, SUB, Library, Clearihue, Cornett & Elliot.
March 15
University Bookstore, Fine Arts Building, Begbie,
March 16
Visual Arts Building, MacLaurin, University Bookstore.
March 17
MacLaurin, Phoenix, HSD.

DON'T FORGET TO VOTE

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DIRECTOR AT LARGE

JAY BERTAGNOLLI

Let me start off by telling you that I am an optimist. I'm the type of person who always looks for that little bright spot in things. Too often though we allow ourselves to be brought down by the idiosyncrasies within our school. UVic is a place to be proud of. I am proud of it.

My background includes being a varsity athlete with the rowing team, president of the rowing team and organizer of the infamous rowingfest. Continually I have supported UVic and now I want to extend this support to your students electorate, by becoming Director at Large.

DIRECTOR AT LARGE

KAZE BARANSHAMJE

My name is Kaze Baranshamaje and I am in first year of Political Science. Since my arrival at UVic, I had some initiatives which would bring about more interaction between students and the UVSS. I would like to see the UVSS inform students in a more comprehensive and regular manner about their policies and actions. My goals as a Director will include the following:

1) Make sure that the students money is spent wisely and equitably to accommodate their needs and concerns

2) Provide better alternatives to UVSS policies and student newspapers which would truly represent the student body at large and not only the concerns of a small group of individuals

3) Lobby the University and the government to eliminate differential fees for international students or to provide financial aid possibilities (for example more bursaries or Work Study programs)

4) Increase awareness of the importance of freedom of speech and expression at the University as it is the most inherent right of our constitution, thereby giving the ability to others to express their opinions without fear of suppression and/or harassment

With your support, I will make sure that YOUR concerns are met!

DIRECTOR AT LARGE

MARINA DAGNALL

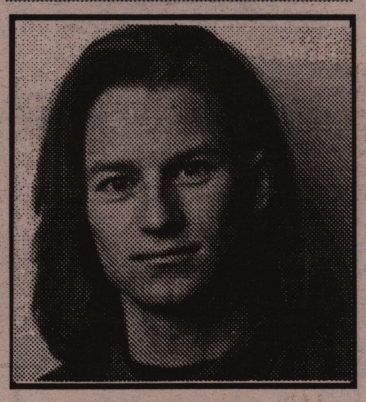
I am a mature student entering my third year in Political Science. I am seeking election to the BoD as one of your through attending and participating in various UVSS activities , such as Speakers Planning and Course Union Council. I am also an executive member of the Political Science Student's Association. Some of my objectives for the coming year are:

-Freezing tuition
- Ensuring a physically & environmentally safe campus for everyone
- Helping to ensure that enough classes are provided. Summer session is particularly deficient.
- Increased awareness of University services
- Improvement of existing services., such as the library, the daycare and evening study halls
- Fairness for interest groups and clubs
- A UVSS that is more approachable and receptive to student concerns

Student issues are important and we must have an effective body to convey them, one that does so in a positive & efficient manner. The people you elect must be able to achieve this. Given my experience with student issues, I believe I can be part of an positive change.

I would appreciate your consideration in March. Thank you.

DIRECTOR AT LARGE



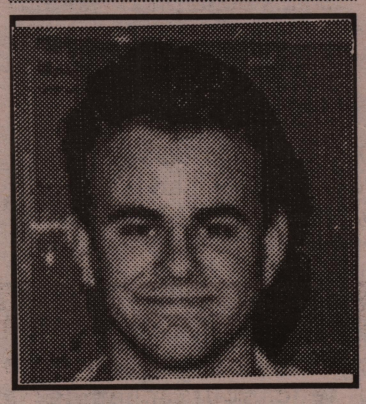
JAMES C. INGRAM

My candidacy for a Director at Large position in the 1994 campaign is focused on providing students with forums to address social issues. Events are traditionally a positive way to express support yet public speakers also have major role in educating the student population. I have been a student a U-Vic for three years and feel very comfortable at the university. The qualities I wish to bring to a Director at Large position are: Imagination, Diplomacy, Integrity, and Responsibility.

Imagination: Academically my background is in Geography which enables me to adapt to changing circumstances.
Diplomacy: The resolution of complex social issues must be achieved through harmonious means, otherwise, compromise cannot be achieved.
Integrity: To live with each other we must live with ourselves.
Responsibilty: Activism and awareness of how everyday actions affect others can overcome tensions in our lives.
Personal fulfillment begins with health and happiness to educate ourselves and others about social pollution in our world and halt the spread of Gender Bias, Racism, Genocide, Slavery, Homophobia, Free Speech (no NAZIS please) and *Pesticides*.

Note: James is a practicing omnivore and wants a food processor.

DIRECTOR AT LARGE



DEVON KRUGGEL

I decided to run for this election to see that a change of policy occurs in the University of Victoria Student's Society. I believe that one person can make a difference. The purpose of the UVSS is to represent students and promote student interests. Yet, when I attended the Semi-Annual General Meeting I saw a lack of representation. Instead I saw an organization that used rules and regulations to shut itself down before policy was even addressed.

I want to see the UVSS made accountable to the students - not just on policy but also on finances. I want to see that students have the right to determine where there money is being spent. I will not support any further fee increases, regardless of any deficit. Instead of charging students more for studying here we should cut our costs.

When the issue of conflicting policy and clubs has been mentioned to me I have answered like this: I do not believe that any club should be denied club status because their policy conflicts with UVSS policy - that's discrimination.

I wish good luck to all the other candidates and anticipate a challenging campaign.

DIRECTOR AT LARGE

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PAM NESS

Over the next year SUB Expansion/Completion is going to be an important issue for the Students' Society. As a Director I will be working to ensure that the project is begun as early and finished as quickly as possible. During the construction period it is also important that the disruption of the services is minimized and that students have access to the important services offered in the SUB. I am interested in seeing an expansion in the services offered to students and see this as going hand in hand with the expanded Student Union Building. Other projects I am interested in working on are:

- Mandatory recycling in all departments of the SUB.
- An increase in the number of jobs available to students through work co-ops.
- increased fiscal responsibility to reduce the deficit.

I have been an employee of the Students' Society and an active member of the Steelworkers union for quite a while. I feel that the knowledge I have gained from working in the building will make me a valuable member of the Board of Directors.

DIRECTOR AT LARGE

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SHANNON PEEVER

My name is Shannon Peever and I am a 4th year Classics major and one of UVic's Novice rowers. I have decided to run for UVSS BoD because I feel it is time all students were heard on this campus, not just the political extremists. We all pay our fees, but are we all getting the representation we deserve? I don't think so. I want to change this.

If I am elected, I will work to ensure that Athletics and Recreation get the money they need. I am also concerned about the status of the Peer Helping Centre and the Campus Used Bookstore. We need to maintain and protect the services that we have before we start creating new ones. Thank you for your time, and don't forget to vote in March.

DIRECTOR AT LARGE

JENNIFER PRUNTY

-Currently enrolled as a Third Year student majoring in Women's' Studies and English.
Experience:
- Director for the Student Association of North Island College from January 1992 to May 1992.
- Executive Women's Commissioner of North Island Students' Association May 1992 to May 1993
- Student-at-Large repre-

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sentative on the Finance and CFS Liaison committees of the U-Vic Students' Society from May 1993 to present.
- continued active participant in the Canadian Federation of Students since January 1992.
- representative of UVSS at the February 1994 Annual General Meeting of the Canadian Federation of Students.

Primary Concerns:
- maintaining accessibility for all students to post-secondary education, which includes revisions to the Canada Student Loan program and freezing tuition fees.
-issues affecting the ability of women and minority groups to pursue education in a harassment-free environment.

Goals:
- ensure that the new Student Union Building is fully accessible, meets the needs of all students, and is environmentally friendly in every aspect.
- increased awareness on campus of events and activities affecting students' education.
- ensure effective use of the U-Vic harassment policy.
- re-implementation of an improved student health plan.
- provide on-going support for the Women's Centre and Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual Alliance in their attempt to establish themselves as subsidiary organizations.

DIRECTOR AT LARGE

THERESA SABOURIN

My name is Theresa Sabourin and I am a third year political science major. I am running for director at large because I believe it is my social responsibility to become involved in my community to help implement positive change.

I have been involved at U-Vic as a Women's Centre Collective member and as a volunteer with the Dec. 6 Memorial and the International Women's Day committee. If elected to the UVSS I would like to become more involved in working on student and social issues.

A few of the issues I will work towards are:

-Bringing back a student health plan
-Lobbying the government for more funding for student loans
-Working to enhance the campus environment
-Making the university accountable for implementation of a race relations officer
-Pushing for a sexual assault centre on campus
-Implementing more education about sexual harassment and sexual assault on campus.

Many students feel the UVSS is not representative of the student body. There is a need for more communication between the student body and members of the UVSS. I will make myself available by being visible in the University community and listening to students' concerns.

DIRECTOR AT LARGE

SIGNE ANNIE SONVISEN

Hello, I'm Signe Annie Sonvisen, a 3rd year international student majoring in economics and environmental studies.

In my last 3 years here at U-Vic I have become aware of many potential improvements to the campus. Finally, I've decided to do something about it. I'll be running for director-at-large, where I'll be working on a number of issues. My main concerns are the steadily increasing tuition fees and differential fees and campus security.

Students at UVic have faced tremendous hikes in tuition and differential fees in the last few years. I believe that this creates an education system for the elite which leads to a decline in the diversity of students on campus, both Canadian and International.

Many of us have probably taken notice of the posters warning of violence on campus. Is this due to an increase in violence or are has security finally decided to inform people? Is this an adequate way of dealing with the problem? However you look at it, I feel that the campus security program need to be re-examined.

I will also work to wards: implementation of bus pass subsidies, minimum impact of the Commonwealth Games on students, and accessibility of education for all people.

DIRECTOR AT LARGE

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DAVID WHEATCROFT

I have been at UVic since 1989 and have served on the Senate during 1990-91 and 1991-92 as well as on several university and UVSS committees. I am running for the BoD because I am tired of looking out for special interest groups to the detriment of the majority of students. If elected, I will:
-Work to cut the fat out of the UVSS bureaucracy in order to eliminate the debt.
-Oppose favours the current BoD for its special interest group friends.
-Help organize events that are of interest and benefit to all UVSS members.
-Work for a reduction in UVSS activity fees that are charged to Engineering, Education, and Law students.

It is time to take back our students' society for students. We all have to pay for it, so we all deserve to benefit from it.

CHAIRPERSON

PAM GRANT

DOES THIS CONCERN YOU ?????????????

Overcrowded classes: If you've never had a class where you've had to stand or sit on the floor, you're either really lucky, or you're not a student.

Not enough classes: How many times have you had to redo your schedule because of courses that weren't offered?

Tuition Freeze: Mike Harcourt needs to be reminded of promises his party made before they were elected.

Tuition costs are rising & loan levels aren't. Foreign and out of province students are hit especially hard.

Health Plan: We need the return of an affordable and optional health care plan.

Child Care: It's possible to develop a low cost evening facility for student parents. Let's do it.

Evening Study: We should have a place to study in the evenings where we can get a snack and a decent cup of coffee. We have the facilities in the SUB. Why aren't we using them?

Library services: You can't even get in past 6PM on a Fri/Sat . Books aren't on the shelves if they're overflowing in the bins, you can't make use of the microfilm or reference facilities if no one's there at night. Our library needs current materials and student work positions. Period.

Photocopying: ZAP has great prices but, it's not always convenient. We're already crucified when we buy our books. Photocopying should be affordable.

Individuals: Next year, there will be 17,000 of us here. We must ensure everyone has a fair voice.

I want to work with the UVSS to make the voices of students on this campus heard. We deserve better resources. The administration must get their priorities straight- instead of increasing salaries for faculty and staff, money should be spent where it's needed. Thanks for your time & please, don't forget to vote.

CHAIRPERSON

TINA WALKER

As Director I have had the opportunity to learn how the UVSS operates and deals with the challenges presented to it. I have been involved in the following committees: Finance, SUB Expansion, Organizational Development, Student and Social Issues, Membership Development, Week of Welcome and the Food Services Advisory.

Additional Experience includes:
~student Senator
~coordinator of the Date Rape and Dating Violence Committee
~Women's Centre and the Emily Collective Member
~Dec. 6th Organizing, Campus Security Committee
~Task Force on Student Services

My involvement at UVic has provided me with the direct negotiation, conflict resolution and facilitation skills necessary to be Chairperson for the UVSS. As Chairperson I will work on behalf of students in the following ways:
~ensuring that the Bus Pass subsidy goes through
~Smooth implementation of the Health Plan
~Holding UVic accountable for the recommendations put forth to the Task Force on Student Services
~Ensuring that the terms of the agreement between the Victoria Commonwealth Games Society and the UVSS is adhered to
~I will continue to lobby the federal and provincial governments to increase post secondary funding
~I will work against efforts to off load the burden of costs on students through increased ancillary fees
~And I will work against the privatization of student loans which can turn away students with bad credit ratings. This process targets people who bring diversity to the campus community.

In my capacity as Chairperson I will work towards a community that is diverse, safe, free from discrimination and an environment that is conducive to learning, I will also:
continue to lobby UVic to implement a campus based Sexual Assault Centre and a Race Relations Officer, and
~Ensure that International Students and the Association for Students with Disabilities have a voice on the Board. Thank-you for your support.

ACADEMICS

KARI HEWETT

Although I am participating in the election campaign, for personal reasons I PLAN TO WITHDRAW MY CANDIDACY BEFORE BALLOTING BEGINS.

The current electoral process, though imperfect, is the most viable option for establishing a representative student government. My involvement stems partly from a desire to see this process become more accessible and inclu-

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sive; by encouraging direct participation on a greater basis we could all benefit from a wider reciprocity of input, energy and resources.

Over the past nine years my experience in organizing and implementing campaigns, activity on numerous committees, dedication to a variety of student and social issues, and commitment to working cooperatively has provided me with a solid grounding such that I could effectively meet the challenges of the Director of Academics position despite my lack of specific involvement on the UVSS Board of Directors.

When you go to vote I hope you will have taken the time to make an informed decision about the people you want to represent you in these important roles both inside and outside the university community. The many changes that still need to be made require a sincere and sustained effort from all of us focused be an effective team of individuals in a leadership capacity. Here's a chance to make a difference...use it.

"The way to do is to be" - Lao Tzu

ACADEMICS

JAREK OLESZCZUK

Over the past two years I've been actively involved in student activities - as President of the Association of Foreign and Canadian Students and this year, as Students' Society Director. I've been a member of various UVSS committees including Course Union Council, Club's Council, Speakers Planning and Membership Development. I made sure that concerns of ALL students are voiced in the UVic administration and the UVSS. I'll keep fighting for YOUR rights!

UVIC MUST BE SHOWN THAT:

- tuition fees have gone up to the point where EDUCATION IS NO MORE AFFORDABLE TO **QUALIFIED** STUDENTS
- students want their money to be spent on academic projects rather than administrative procedures
- **Work Study** programs should be expanded and made available to international students
- programs and courses listed in the Calendar should actually be offered and not cancelled in the last minute
- the already scarce population of **international students** (1.9%) will decrease even more with 35% differential fee hikes

UVSS MUST ENSURE THAT:

- **Course Unions** become official organizations representing students' academic needs within the Departments
- money is not spent on subsidizing projects which have little to do with University life
- **space is allocated** for the Peer Helping Centre, Legal Info Clinic, International Students and AIESEC in the New SUB (after SUB expansion) as was promised in the $30 dollar fee increase referendum
- no student opinion is suppressed or funding cut to any student group just because they are "politically incorrect"
- ALL students are welcome in the SUB - not only environmentalists, men-haters and gays

There is a lack of communication between students, UVic administration, and UVSS bureaucracy. As a member of UVSS Executive and Senate I will make sure that student concerns become a PRIORITY! **Focus on EDUCATION - not administration!**

ACADEMICS

STACEY TABERT

(3rd Year English/Environmental Studies Major)
Director, University of Victoria Students' Society (1993-94)
Co-Chairperson, Peer Counseling Program Advisory Board (1994_95)
Active Member of the Women's Centre Collective
Committee Member of Student and Social Issues

I feel that my experience and work this past year with the UVSS Board of Directors has prepared me for the position of **Director of Academics**. It is my desire to establish a strong liaison and means of productive communication, which has been lacking between **Director of Academics** and the student representatives on the Board of Governors, the Senate, and the Course Union Councils.

Some concerns that need to be addressed are:

* inadequate student financial assistance
* the prospective tuition fee increase
* lack of communication between Administration and student representatives

I propose that these pertinent issues can be resolved by:

* pressuring the Government to implement a 3% tax on corporations which will directly fund post secondary education
* increasing the maximum on loans at an incremental rate equaling tuition and inflation hikes
* abolishing differential fees for International Students
* lobbying the University and the Government to fund more work study and T.A. positions
* serving as a strong liaison between the UVSS, BoG, Senate, and Course Union representatives

It is important to remember that as students, we have the right to an accessible and equitable education, as well as to a safe learning and work environment. We pay for our education **NOT** the institution.

FINANCE

MICHAEL BUTTERFIELD

As Director of finance, I will do three things.

1. **Increase the number of jobs in the SUB**
2. **Improve all UVSS services and**
3. **Implement a three year plan to eliminate the UVSS debt.**

1. The UVSS provides over 100 part-time jobs. **My plan will see an additional 35 positions in September and 15 more in January 95.** This will be done by expanding business operations and services.
2. UVSS services include Clubs/Course Unions, the Ombudsperson, Women's Centre, and the **Health Plan.** These are different from business operations, like Felicita's, Zap Copy, and the Health Food Bar, because **services are not expected to make a profit.**

I will improve services by funding them with the proceeds from the business operations.

STUDENT FEES will be used for STUDENT SERVICES, not business bail outs.

With over 15,000 students at UVIC, our business operations should not be losing money.

3. The UVSS lacks credibility. **As long as it has a $238,000.00 debt, it will never be respected, nor effective.**

There are two ways to deal with the debt. One is to slash business and service operations. This will eliminate jobs and end any hope of reducing the debt without another UVSS fee hike.

My alternative is to **expand business operations, create jobs, and generate profits.**

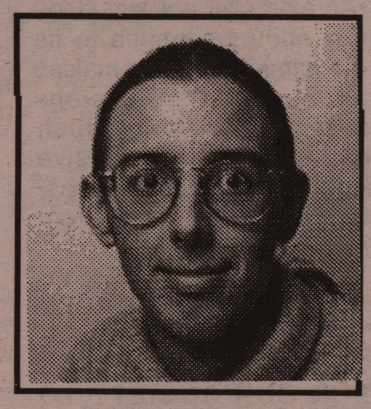
By spreading debt reduction over three years, we can stop worrying about the debt and start working on more important issues.

NOW is the time to create JOBS and improve our SERVICES.

What are my qualifications? I have owned and operated two small businesses and before returning to UVIC, I spent over 4 years in Banking.

I have the knowledge and the experience to make a difference.

FINANCE



MICHAEL GARDINER

Hi, I am a third year economics major seeking the position of Director of Finance.

As an economics major I have learned the implications of Canadian economic indicators on our fiscal processes, and will ensure the budgeting process accounts for them. As a director at large this year I have developed both the knowledge and skills necessary for this position. The development of the expanded SUB presents a new and exciting challenge and I wish to see the Students' Society continue to expand its role in both student employment and services.

As UVic's **Canadian Federation of Students Provincial Executive Representative** I developed important administrative skills. I am also a candidate for **CFS-BC Treasurer,** and will hopefully hold this position concurrently, giving you, UVic Students, a strong voice in your Federation.

As a Director at Large I:

- -sat on Martlet Finance and Operations, Electoral, Organizational Development, Student and Social Issues, Sub Completion, Membership Development, Events as well as chairing CFS Liason
- -worked on many campaigns, including December 6, the ongoing Alternative Funding/Tuition Freeze Campaign and the Federal Election Forums

As **Director of Finance** I will:

- -conduct an open and inclusive budgeting process
- -address the debt in a manner which does not compromise the goals and priorities of the Students' Society
- -support increased funding for student issues campaigns
- -ensure the agreement with the Commonwealth Games is upheld, as one of the main responsibilities of Director of Finance is to oversee all contracts

I will also:

- -advocate for women's rights to control their own bodies and to a safe environment; (including ensuring the new UVic Harassment Policy is not just a showpiece)
- -negotiate a lease with the University for the SUB, this will guarantee our right to occupy the building we paid for

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• ELECTION PLATFORMS •

CANDIDATES FOR BOARD OF DIRECTORS

FINANCE

THERESA LEWIS

As a mature student, I bring ten years of accounting and office administration experience to the Board of Directors as the Director of Finance.

FISCAL RESPONSIBILTY

I intend to prepare useful and timely financial reports to aid in making appropriate and informed management decisions, and to present a more detailed budget for the AGM. I'll insure that departmental budgets are realistic. Revenue generating departments should, at the very least, break even. It's not enough to be content with meeting the budget when you are projecting a loss.

A BALANCED APPROACH

I believe that personnel management policies must not be hampered by political ideology. Successful business operations require responsible and consistent personnel management, and bargaining must be conducted with mutual respect and in good faith.

STUDENTS INTERESTS FIRST

I'm now an active member of the SUB Completion Committee. I'll continue to work to ensure that the project is completed within budget and that primary consideration is given to students' needs.

ACCOUNTABILITY AND ACTION

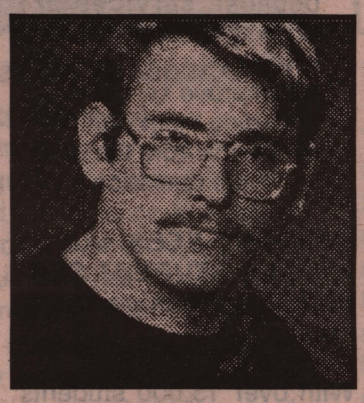
I'll propose new financial policies to give the whole student body the opportunity to control those changes to UVSS policies which result in unbudgeted expenses, or give a small group of students a disproportionate benefit. I'll promote and support realistic UVSS policies, and work to see such policies achieved; for example, it's realistic to propose increases in the Canadian Student Loan allowable living expenses which have not changed since 1982.

THE SUB IS FOR ALL STUDENTS

I believe that the UVSS and the SUB are for all students and not just special interest groups. The UVSS should be conducted with a balanced and unbiased attitude toward all students, and with a business-like approach to the management of the SUB.

WE ALL PAY FOR IT, WE SHOULD ALL BENEFIT FROM IT.

SERVICES



GEORGE PRINGLE

DO YOU BELIEVE THAT:

•The Commonwealth Games celebrates the principles of: colonialism, cultural and economic imperialism, genocide, racism and commercial, ecological, human and cultural exploitation.

•Priority space should be allocated to a Lesbian Gay Bisexual Centre, a Sexual Assault Centre and that space for the Women's Centre and Martlet should be tripled rather than allocated space to the Peer Helping Centre, a Legal Information Clinic, office space for the Association of International and Canadian Students and AEISEC as promised in the Sub Expansion $30 fee increase referendum?

•Your profs are racist, sexist, homophobic and deserve to be fired and replaced with politically correct academic warrior set on your indoctrination?

•When the Student Society takes a political position that it must suppress any student group and harass any individual who has a different opinion?

•An extremist political ideology should continue to be the primary factor in making management decisions regarding staffing which has resulted in extensive legal proceedings and massive waste of our student fees?

DO YOU BELIEVE IT'S TIME TO FINALLY TURF OUT THE POLITICAL CULT WHICH HAS RUN OUR SOCIETY TO THE BRINK OF BANKRUPCY AND CREATE A STUDENT UNION BUILDING WHERE ALL STUDENTS WANT TO GO.

Hi, I'm George Pringle. I've served students as the Student Society Director of Academics, a Student Senator and member of the Board of Governors.

Next years Board of Directors will be facing many challenges and opportunities to change the direction of the Student Society. With the expansion of the SUB finally happening, we'll be able to recreate the whole idea of what the Student Society is here for.

I'll ensure that:

• All clubs are treated equally,

• Management decisions are made in the interests of our student members,

• the BoD stops passing nonsensical policy motions

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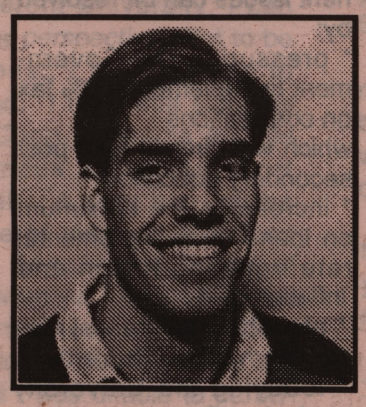

MIKO NICO ROSS

Hello, I am a Political Science major who is very interested in the Director of Services position in the UVSS. When we **vote** for the Board of Directors, we have an opportunity to direct the way many important issues are resolved. Essential to this process are people who are fresh to the system and aware of the concerns of students. I, **Miko Ross**, believe that I will bring a fresh and energetic approach to the Director of Services office.

I believe in:

-a University environment free from harassment and discrimination
-women's rights to control their own bodies and to a safe campus
-accessibility of education for all students

I will work to:

-support the activities and expression of all clubs on campus
-organize a campaign in support of women's rights to control their bodies
-facilitate mechanisms **for** improved club fundraising
-provide work environments free from harassment and discrimination
-increase student employment and expand services within the current and new SUB
-ensure that clubs have fair access to new space in the SUB
-ensure Week of Welcome is not hindered by the Commonwealth Games
-work towards improved staff-management relations in the SUB
-continue to provide a variety of quality entertainment and events
-ensure full recycling and composting facilities exist in the new SUB
-prevent any further tuition increases and funding cutbacks
-oppose differential fees

As **Director of Services** I will use my experience, integrity and sense of humor to make the Students' Society an open, accountable and fun organiazation. I will also work to eliminate subliminal messaging through boldfacing in campaign literature!

REFERENDUM QUESTION

You are requested to vote YES or NO on the following question:
Are you in favour of new Student Extended Health Plan, available to students taking two or more courses, at a cost of $9.38 per month with optional family coverage of $31.85 per moth effective September 1, 1994-August 31, 1995 with coverage for:

- Prescription drugs (including oral contraceptives) 70% coverage
- Paramedical Practitioners
- Medical Equipment and Supplies
- Ambulances
- Accidental Death and Dismemberment
Students with coverage elsewhere (through parents, spouse, employer, etc.) may opt out of the plan and refunded full premium.

HEALTH PLAN "YES" SIDE
OFFICAL REPRESENTATIVE: MEGHAN THOMPSON

After a year without one, students deserve to have their health plan back. Why should I vote Yes for a health plan?

Although everyone in BC is covered by Medicare, an extended health plan, such as the one being offered to undergraduate students taking two or more courses, provides students with extra coverage for illness and accidents.

This health plan will give you:
- 70% coverage for prescription drugs (including oral contraceptives)
- Supplementary Health Care Benefits such as physiotherapy, Chiropractor, and wheelchair.
- Emergency Ambulance Expense and Dental Accidents are also covered under this plan.
- Also available is $5, 000 maximum reimbursement for out of province and country benefit plus 100% coverage for upgrading to a semi-private room for hospital visits.
- Students will also have coverage for accidental death and dismemberment.

Health care costs across Canada are going up as funding to the provinces is being cut. Due to the rising costs of prescriptions and paramedical expenses a health plan provides students with the support for medical attention that might otherwise be ignored due to the stretching a student's budget undergoes in the course of a school year. Student health plans are based on the idea of "shared risk". By sharing the cost amongst the student population, students can afford to insure that medically necessary expenses remain affordable so that there academic programs are not seriously interrupted.

What does this means for students with comparable medical coverage?

If a student has additional coverage through a parent or spouse, for example, this plan has an opt-out clause that allows students with the same coverage or better to apply for a refund.
Students with dependents will have the option to apply for family coverage.

HEALTH PLAN "NO" SIDE
OFFICIAL REPRESENTATIVE: BRENT HAMILTON

Health plan, eh? Yeah, sounds like a good idea. I guess I'll vote for it... Hold off on that - I have a story to tell you.

Once upon a time, in 1989/1990, the health plan fee was $23.60,
Then it was increased to $40.20,
Then it was increased to $64.20,
and then it was increased to $87.00, and a user fee of 20% imposed

AND LAST YEAR THEY WANTED IT TO RISE TO $134.40, AN INCREASE OF $47.40!

We, the students, rejected this absurdity in last year's referendum, but as things usually go with UVSS politics, some whiners got it back into this year's elections.

NOW they are charging $112 AND have upped the service charge on prescriptions to 30%! Not only that, but there will no longer be cards issued for immediate coverage. THIS TIME IT'S MAIL-IN REBATE ONLY!

It's time to start asking questions. Do we really benefit from a health plan that gives money to a private, profit-oriented corporation?
Well, you might think so and vote YES because:
you are worried that poor students, despite the user fee and $112 initial charge, may still benefit from having it
-you personally will get more than a $112 benefit out of it.

On the other hand, you might vote NO because:
-poor students can't afford the $112 anyway
-you won't get $112 of benefit out of it
-you don't like the fact that the plan is **MANDATORY**
-if you are lucky enough to qualify for the opt-out program, you don't like the 2-month delay in getting your rebate

The intent of the Health Plan, to lend a hand to the poorer students, has been lost somewhere in the past. This is another example of an ever-growing bureaucracy blowing a simple, kind-hearted idea all out of proportion. That's why I'm voting **NO**.